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AXIS DECLARE WAR ON U.S.

Will Latin America Join?

Significant Reference To 'Rapid United Effort'

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.
The German declaration of war was taken to the State Department by Hans Thomsen, German Charge d'Affaires, before Mr. Cordell Hull had arrived. The First Secretary von Strempel accompanied Thomsen. They were instructed to wait for Mr. Hull.

The Senate vote for the declaration of war against Germany was 90 to nil.

Although there is no definite indication, whether it is intended as such, the reference to "rapid united effort" is interpreted by some observers as implying an appeal to the Latin American neighbours of the United States to join in the victory effort. Not until the final sentence, did President Roosevelt reveal that Italy too had declared war on the United States.

The Senate began consideration of the joint resolution declaring war against Germany at 12-26. This was carried by 88 votes to nil, and the declaration of war against Italy which was carried by 90 to nil followed immediately.

A bill enabling United States Expeditionary Forces to be sent to any part of the world was carried by 86 to nil. The galleries were only partially filled, while this momentous action was being taken.

Lord Halifax was in the diplomatic gallery among other members of the diplomatic corps. At the other end of the Capitol however crowded galleries heard the House of Representatives vote for war against the Axis. Here the House Chaplain, Reverend James Shera Montgomery opened the session with an appeal for divine aid for the nation. Archduke Otto of Austria was in the diplomatic gallery.—Reuter.

Roosevelt's Message

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.
Without waiting for President's request for a declaration of war, the Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate unanimously approved two resolutions placing the United States in a state of war with Germany and Italy.

The text of Prsident Roosevelt's message was, "On the morning of December 11th, the German Government pursuing its course of world conquest declared war against the United States, the long-known and the long-expected has thus taken place. The forces endeavouring to enslave the entire world are now moving towards this hemisphere.

Never before has there been a greater challenge to life, liberty and civilisation. Delay invites great danger. Rapid, united effort by all peoples of the world who are determined to remain free will ensure a world victory for the forces of justice and righteousness over the forces of savagery and barbarism. Italy too has declared war against the United States. I therefore request Congress to recognise a state of war between the United States and Germany and between the United States and Italy."

President Roosevelt signed the declaration of war against Germany at 15-05 and that against Italy at 15-06 Eastern Standard Time.—Reuter.

New Alliance Against Democracies

ROOSEVELT TAKES UP CHALLENGE

AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCES FOR BATTLE FRONTS

LONDON, Dec. 11.
Germany has declared war on the United States. Mussolini speaking from the Palazzo Venezia said that Italy and Germany were at war with the United States on the side of Japan.

A military alliance against the United States and Britain was signed on Thursday by Italy, Germany and Japan. The agreement provides for close collaboration between the three countries, till the victorious conclusion of the war, with a view to creating a new order.

ROOSEVELT'S REPLY TO HITLER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.
The Senate has voted declaration of war against Germany.

The Senate passed a Bill enabling American Expeditionary Forces to be sent to any part of the world. The vote was 86 to nil.

The House of Representatives voted for declaration of war against Germany by 393 votes to nil.

HITLER SPEAKS

LONDON, Dec. 11.
Hitler speaking in the Reichstag to-day at 13-07, announced the declaration of war with the United States and said, it had been clear since the beginning that the war must be fought to the end. "It is my firm decision to make the European Front unassailable by any enemy."

GERMAN CASUALTIES
Hitler said that Germany was the only power which had never any colony or ambitions in North or South America.

He announced the German casualties as 1,62 314 dead, 33,334 missing and 5,77,767 wounded.

Addressing the Reichstag, Hitler said "a year of historic events is behind us, and a year of great decision before us. The German nation led by me is facing the unique task set by the creator.

EUROPEAN FRONT UNASSAILABLE
"We are not fighting for ourselves alone, but for the whole of the European Continent.

At present, there is one large system of roads connecting the Spanish Frontier and the Norwegian seas. It is my unshakeable determination to make this European front, which I have thus erected unassailable."

APOLOGIA FOR EASTERN VENTURE
Hitler said that if the Germans had not stood against Russia, a storm would have broken over Europe that would have smashed Europe once and for all. Hitler said that he was responsible for the leadership of the German nation in times which would determine not only the history of the German people, but of Europe and the whole world.. The year 1941 had seemed to the Russians the best moment to try to rule over Central Europe and Mr. Churchill had promised a turn in Britain's war against Germany.

Hitler gave figures of Russian material captured saying that it had been done "through efforts which those at home can hardly have any conception."

ALLEGED RUSSIAN CASUALTIES
Hitler gave Russian losses at German hands up to December 1: prisoners 38,06,865, panzers 21,391 captured or destroyed planes 17,322 captured or destroyed.

Hitler announced that he had handed passports to American diplomats to-day. Hitler complained that President Roosevelt in order to safeguard the countries occupied by Hitler had frozen their assets in the United States. He said that Roosevelt's campaign against Germany had been going on since 1937. "Behind Roosevelt stands the eternal Jew. When Roosevelt or Churchill speaks of a new Europe, it is like a bald hairdresser recommending a hair restorer."

Hitler added: "I to-day told the German Ambassador in the United States to ask for his passport."

Hitler announced the declaration of war at 14.25 (G.M.T.).

AXIS DETERMINATION
Hitler said that Germany, Italy and Japan signed a pact to-day undertaking to continue the war together until victory was won. The three powers will closely work together for a new order at the end of the war. "When we think of the sacrifice of our soldiers, then every sacrifice at home is insignificant", he added. "Our enemies should not deceive themselves: we thank God that we are members of such a great nation."

MILITARY ALLIANCE
Hitler made the announcement of the Japanese, German and Italian military alliance at 14-15 (G.M.T.).

Hitler said: "A world of difference lies between the conceptions of President Roosevelt and myself. I have shared my experiences with millions, and President Roosevlet only with the so-called upper ten thousand. Yet we have one thing in common: both are at the head of states which have had Democracy to thank for complete ruin. There is no shadow of doubt that the continuance of President Roosevelt's economic policy in conditions of peace would have led to ruin."

Continuing, Hitler declared that Jews saw in the United States a means towards achieving vengeance like that of the days of the old testament. President Roosevelt meddled with European affairs, although firstly he did not understand them, secondly if he had, he would still have had no more right to do so than Germany would have had to interfere in American matters.

Hitler attacked the activities of American Diplomats in Europe and added, "this is a world for work, not a world for deceit and swindles." Hitler recalled the enrolment of Americans in the British Air Force and the training of British airmen in America.

HITLER SLURS OVER NAZI CASUALTIES

Hitler's actual text declaring war was "we had always endea-

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WAR-MONGERS AGREE

Tri-Partite Pact On Three Points

ROME, Dec. 11.
The following are the principal terms of the War Pact between Italy, Germany and Japan:—

Article 1 "Italy, Germany and Japan will wage the common war which was imposed on them by the United States and Great Britain by all means at their disposal, until the conclusion of hostilities".

Article 2:—"Japan, Germany and Italy undertake to conclude neither an armistice nor a peace whatever with the United States or Great Britain without full reciprocal agreement."

Article 3:—"Japan, Germany and Italy will continue even after the victorious conclusion of the war to collaborate very closely in the sense of the Tripartite Pact which they concluded in September 1940, with the object of accomplishing a new equitable order."—Reuter.

IS IT DOOM OF PENTANGULAR?

Speaking at the Cricket Club of India on Thursday, His Excellency Sir Roger Lumley expressed the hope that the Cricket Club of India would grow more in importance where international contests of different kinds would be played.

Reiterated his interest in the welfare of the Club and said that he would continue to witness as before the matches, be they Pentangular or any other kind.—A. P.

CHURCHILL'S FRONT AGAINST HITLER

The British Empire, the United States, Russia and China are fighting for life. Behind these four great combatant communities are ranged all the spirit and hopes of all conquered countries in Europe prostrate and under the domination of the foe. It would, indeed, bring shame upon our generation, if we did not teach him a lesson which will not be forgotten in the records of a thousand years." Churchill in Commons.

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INVITEES FOR CONGRESS CABINET

WARDHA, Dec. 11.
The A.I.C.C. offices has circularised all members of the Congress Working Committee to attend a meeting of the Committee at Bardoli on December 23 and subsequent days.

Dr. Pattabi Seetaramayya and Acharya Narendradev have also been invited to attend the meeting. The A. I. C. C. office is being temporarily shifted to Bardoli.—A. P.

"C. R." On Way To Bardoli Meeting

MADRAS, December 11.
Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar, ex-Premier of Madras left Madras this morning for Lucknow by the Grand Trunk Express.

He will deliver the Convocation address at the Lucknow University on the 13th instant.

After two days' stay in Lucknow he will proceed to Delhi from where he will go to Bardoli in time for the Congress Working Committee meeting.

He is expected to return to Madras by the end of this month.—A. P.

Andhra Congressmen To Stay In Local Bodies

WARDHA, Dec. 11.
Instructions issued by Mr. T. Prakasam, President of the Andhra Provincial Congress Committee, to Congress members in local bodies in Andhra to withdraw will be held in abeyance, it is learnt here. In view of the above decision Congress members in local bodies in Tamil Nad and Kerala will not resign.—A. P.

Japanese Battleship Bombed And Sunk

NON-STOP AIR ATTACKS ON MANILA

Ferocious Offensive Continues In North Malaya

LONDON, Dec. 11.
The Japanese offensive in Northern Malaya continues with unabated ferocity. British troops are reorganising round Kotah Baru which is now apparently in Japanese hands.

DUTCH NAVY IN SINGAPORE

BATAVIA: A Netherlands East Indies naval Communique announces that the Netherlands naval force has reached Singapore.

TRANS-PACIFIC CABLE CUT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.
The War Department admits that the Japanese have cut the vital Trans-Pacific cable, the only one connecting the United States with Hongkong.

Japanese Attacks Repulsed
LONDON: In Hongkong two Japanese attacks from the direction of Shanghai have been repulsed and the situation has been stabilised. On the eastern shores of Hongkong two boatloads of enemy troops who were attempting to land were fired at and the boats sank.

Parachute Landing
MANILA: Japanese parachute troops are reported to have landed at an air port six miles from Llagan in Isabela Province eighty miles south of Apari. Filipino constabulary is organising to repel them.

Non-Stop Bombing Of Manila
The Japanese Imperial Army Headquarters announce that a submarine chaser was lost during the landing operations in northern Luzon.

A 'communique' issued in Manila describes the situation as completely in hand. The Japanese attempted to make another landing on the west coast of Luzon, but this was repulsed and the Japanese are believed to have suffered heavy casualties. Throughout yesterday Manila was dive-bombed. Fifteen Japanese planes were shot down in these operations.

It is now stated that 122 persons were killed in the attack on Pearl Harbour. Hawaii has been placed under martial law.

Advance In Guam
LONDON, Dec. 11.
The landing of Japanese forces at Guam and their capture of the Capital, Agana, are announced by the Army Department of the Imperial Japanese Headquarters in a 'communique' quoted by the Domei Agency. The 'communique' adds that 350 Americans, among them the Commander and the Governor-General as well as numerous other officers, were taken prisoners. Jap forces are carrying out mopping up operations.—Reuter.

Japanese Claim
TOKYO:—"Since the outbreak of war on December 8 the Japanese Army Air Force shot down or destroyed on the ground 86 enemy planes in Malaya District", says a 'communique' from the Army section of Japanese Imperial Headquarters.—Reuter.

BIG JAPANESE BATTLESHIP SUNK

WASHINGTON:—The Secretary of War, Mr. Stimson, has announced the sinking of the 29,000 tons Japanese battleship "Haruna" by the army air force near the Philippines.

"HARUNA" SINKS

LONDON:—The Japanese battleship "Haruna" which was set on fire by American aircraft off the north coast of Philippine Islands is reported to be sunk.

Three Hits Set Her On Fire
NEW YORK:—Three hits were scored on the 29,000 ton Japanese battleship "Haruna" which was set a fire north-east of northern Luzon, according to radio message from Manila.

The warships was reported to be burning fiercely as the planes left the scene.

"Haruna" has a displacement of 29,330 tons and a complement of 980.

The battleship was launched in 1913. She belongs to the Kongo class of four ships.

Her armament includes eight 14-inch guns, 16 six-inch guns and eight five-inch anti-aircraft guns.

The warship was refitted between 1926 and 1930.

Three planes were added to her equipment.

ADMIRAL TOM PHILLIPS MISSING

LONDON:—It is officially announced that Admiral Sir Tom Phillips is reported missing.

It is officially stated that "Prince of Wales" and "Repulse" were sunk by repeated attacks by bombers and torpedo planes. The battleships were sunk by two high level, attacks of three waves of torpedo planes.

It is officially stated in Singapore that at least seven enemy aircraft were destroyed

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during the attack on "Prince of Wales" and "Repulse".

The Admiralty announces that

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Sarat Bose Arrested

CONTACT WITH JAPAN?

SENSATIONAL CHARGE AGAINST BENGAL LEADER

Ministerial Deputation To Wait On Viceroy

CALCUTTA, Dec. 11.
Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose Leader of the Opposition in the Bengal Assembly, was arrested under Section 26 of Defence of India Rules at his house at Woodburn Park at 6-20 this evening.

Mr. Janvrin, Deputy Commissioner, and Mr. S. P. Chatterjee, Inspector of the Special Branch, came to Mr. Bose's residence at 5-50 p.m. and served the Government of India's orders.

Mr. Bose took a few minutes to bid goodbye to his people and get himself ready. On receipt of the news a large number of people came to Mr. Bose's place to make enquiries.

DEPUTATION TO VICEROY?
On receipt of the news of Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose's arrest Mr. Fazlul Huq, the Nawab of Dacca and Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee went to Woodburn Park to see Mr. Bose.

It is understood a proposal is under consideration that a deputation consisting of Mr. Huq, the Nawab of Dacca and Dr. Mukherjee should wait on His Excellency the Viceroy in connection with Mr. Bose's arrest.—United Press.

MR. SARAT CHANDRA BOSE.

GOVT.'S CHARGE

NEW DELHI, Dec. 11.
The Government of India, says a 'communique', are satisfied that there have been contacts of such a nature between Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose and the Japanese as to render his immediate apprehension necessary. They have therefore issued orders for his detention under the Defence of India Rules, and he was arrested in Calcutta this afternoon.—A. P.

INTERNED IN HIS HOUSE

CALCUTTA, Dec. 11.
Mr. Bose, who was arrested under Section 26 of the Defence of India Act, is now being confined at his Woodburn Park residence. He is not permitted to receive any visitors, nor is he permitted to use the telephone. His residence is being guarded by the police. Some senior police officers are also there.

REACTION ON MINISTRY FORMATION
The possible reaction of Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose's arrest on the newly formed Ministry of Bengal is being variously commented upon. While the members of the coalition Party express the view that there is no reason to apprehend that Mr. Bose's absence will lead to any disruption in the Coalition, the feeling in Muslim League circles is that in the absence of Mr. Bose, who was "the chief lieutenant of Mr. Huq in forming this coalition, it will be very difficult for the Chief Minister to keep his party's strength intact."

HUQ SEES BOSE
Immediately before the arrest Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq, the newly appointed Premier of Bengal and Dr. S. P. Mookerji, Minister, called on Mr. Bose in order to consult him on the question of selection of the rest of Mr. Huq's Cabinet.

About fifty other members of the Coalition Party were waiting down stairs in expectation of the announcement of the final list of the personnel of the Cabinet.—A. P.

CIANO MEETS DARLAN

LONDON, Dec. 11.
Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, met Admiral Darlan, the Vichy Vice-Premier, to-day, according to a message from Vichy. The details of their discussion are not known.—Reuter.

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Dated this 10th day of December, 1941.

MOTICHAND & DEVIDAS.
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P. G. SHAH,
Pleader for the Purchaser.
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Messrs. MENESSE & CO., will sell by public auction on FRIDAY, the 12th December, 1941, at 2-15 P.M. (S.T.) at the Cotton Depot, Sewree, near the Cotton Exchange Room, by order of the Insurance Office concerned the above mentioned damaged Cotton.

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In accordance with Section 94 of the Bombay Port Trust Acts of 1879 and as from time to time amended under instructions from the Manager, Bombay Port Trust Docks, Messrs. MENESSE & CO., will sell by Public Auction on TUESDAY, the 16th December, 1941, at 2 P.M. at Alexandra Docks (Sale Warehouse) the following goods: Chemicals, Chisels, Fire extinguisher, C. P. goods, Copper strip (soft drawn bare copper wire), Plummer blocks, Lithiphone, Radio, Motor goods, household kits and furniture, Film, Thinner, Clocks.

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NEW YORK COTTON PRICES DECLINE

LIQUIDATION ON UNSETTLED FAR-EASTERN NEWS

Short Covering And Replacement Buying

Bombay: December 11.

The New York cotton market was erratic on Tuesday dominated by latest developments. There was nervous long liquidation and hedge selling with discouraging over night news and disappointing trade demand. Prices rallied on short covering and replacement buying on more favourable Philippine reports but the upturn attracted renewed hedging and closed barely steady.

At the moment the market is confused, but we do not look for any substantial decline as prices cannot decline below parity level on the other hand there will be increased war orders for textiles and the next year's American cotton is a problem. It is likely that the market will be more inclined to follow war news but with long liquidation, the technical position is likely to improve.

At the opening New York market was quoted 13 pts down at 16.58 and further declined to 16.45, which was the lowest level. Thereafter there was increased buying and by about 11 a.m. March rose 30 pts at 16.75 which was the highest for the day. Thereafter there was moderate liquidation and the market closed at a net decline of 22 to 30 points for near months while distants were 11 to 12 pts down. Spot cotton prices closed 24 pts lower at 17.61c per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was also easy and closed at a decline of 25 to 13 pts. Spot cotton prices were reduced 20 pts at 16.78c per lb.

LIVERPOOL MARKET

The official company has released 2,370 bls of United States cotton and some Sao Paulo and is offering certain Sudans all mostly afloat. The Pacific war importantly affects cotton, although Japan had already largely disappeared both as importer of laws and competitive exporter of textiles. The Far-East formerly took up one and half million bales of Indian, while last season one million Brazilian went to the Far-East and Japan took above half Peru's crop.

LOCAL SITUATION

Messrs. Anandilal Podar and Co. state:—

Prices are rollicking on ebbs and flows of war reports from the Far-East. After all, war means destruction and gains and reverses on both sides, but we have to keep before our eyes the fact that the democratic nations have inexhaustible resources to stand longer than the enemy. This does not mean under-rating the enemy's capacity to cripple his adversary temporarily but that will surely lengthen the war. No doubt, the enemy is capable of mischievous stunt either by air or sea, but once peoples get accustomed, its terror will fade away as happened in England. Here, let us not forget that our city, as per Defence Secretary's statement, is said to be about 2,500 miles from the enemy's nearest controlled air base and it was revealed yesterday that the Japanese planes flew about 4,000 miles from its sea base. Hence, the market's attention will be entirely focussed on the progress of war, more particularly any enemy's attack directly on India.

From the point of market's technical position, most of the unwieldy weak speculative long accounts seem to have been weeded out and fresh short sales around Rs 220 are not too numerous except some stale long liquidation. Because, the hedging is not abundant yet due to smaller port receipts. This can be testified by the higher premiums prevailing for staples. Under these circumstances, we do not feel keen for short sales below Rs. 220 until we see heavier local receipts and further accumulation of stocks.

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York March highest 16.75+04 %10-59 a.m.); Lowest 16.45—26 (10-20 a.m.)

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co. Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:—

New York: Liquidation on unsettled Far-Eastern news Market uncertain but not likely to decline much.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York: December 10.

December	16.07—30
January	16.27—22
March	16.53—1s
May	16.66—16
July	16.68—12
October	16.77—11
Middling Spot	17.61—24

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New Orleans: December 10.

December	16.21—17
January	16.30—26
March	16.58—16
May	16.73—15
July	16.75—15
October	16.95—13
Middling Spot	16.78—20

NEW YORK COTTON

New York: December 10.
Noon Call

December	16.18
March	16.68
May	16.80

N. YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS
New York: December 10.
Day's receipts at all U S Ports 14,000 bales

BOMBAY METALS

Bombay: December 11.

Yellow Metal Sheet	Rs. 140
Copper Sheets	Rs. 117

Tone:—Steady.

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BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay: December 11.

Following a decline of 18 pts. in New York cotton futures the local market opened steady at Rs. 225 for Broach A/M delivery and improved to Rs. 225/8 on moderate buying. The drop in Share Bazar induced liquidation and some operators were applying Mandi and prices weakened to Rs. 223/8. There was further selling and Broach A/M declined to Rs. 222/8 but under renewed professional support prices hardened to Rs. 227/4. Thereafter there was some realising and prices reacted to Rs. 225/8. Prices again steadied at Rs. 22 and finally closed at 6 p.m. as under:—

BROACH	April/May	Rs. 224/12
OOMRA	Dec/Jan	Rs. 192/0
OOMRA	March	Rs. 177/0
OOMRA	May	Rs. 179/0
BENGAL	Dec/Jan	Rs. 139/8
BENGAL	March	Rs. 141/0
BENGAL	May	Rs. 142/8

COTTON ROOM RATES

Bombay: December 11.

	Extra Spr-fine	Sup. Fine	F.G.	Good
M G Bengal U P	....	144	142	140 137
M G Punjab	....	144	142	140 137
M G Oomra No. 3	...197	194	191	188 ..
M G C. P. No. 1	...229	226	223	220 ..
M G C. P. No. 2	...208	205	202	199 ..

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS

Bombay: December 11.

	Ready. Old.	Delivery Contract New. Dec.	Jany.
Bengal Fine	129/32	139	....
Berar	161/66	... Par	—2
C. P. 1	203/8	... +23	+21
C. P. 2	166/71	....	....
Khandesh	126/31	....	....
Mug.ai	141/46	....	....
Broach	186/90	....	....
Broach Low	140/50	....	....

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES.

Bombay: December 11.

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY	In full-pressed bales. Yesterday.	Since 1st Septr. This year.	Last year
Khandesh	1,093	7,120	17,125
Central India	488	3,573	2,484
Barsi and Nagar	246	12,755	7,271
Hyderabad/Gaorani	....	303	1,781
Berar	2,663	23,633	32,688
Central Provinces	493	7,121	1,347
Total Oomras	4,983	54,505	62,696
Dho eras	....	11,705	3,066
N. W. Provinces	....	949	3
Rajputana	....	279	369
Sind-Punjab	99	107,477	117,878
Broach	....	13,895	4,748
Coompta and Dharwar	....	5,371	20,205
Westerns-Northerns	....	5,331	20,830
Oceanada	....	....	170
Tinnevelly and Cambodia	....	7,246	522
Total	5,082	206,858	230,487
Arrived by road to 4th December 1941	....	14,500	24,000

TEJI MANDI PREMIUMS

Bombay: December 11.

Wheat January	0	3 0
Wheat May	0	11 0
Linseed May	1	0 0
Groundnut February	3	12 0
Castorseed May	5	4 0
Cottonseed January	1	6 0
Silver 1st settlement	2	8 0
Silver 2nd settlement	3	12 0
Gold 1st settlement	2	0 0
Gold 2nd settlement	3	0 0

AMERICAN COTTON FIGURES

Bombay: December 11.

F F Bales.	1941/42	1940/41
Receipts to date 10-12-41	2947000	2191000
Receipts yesterday 10-12-41	14000	6000
Export to date 5-12-41	514000	513000
Stock at Ports 5-12-41	3383000	3291000
Stock at interior towns do.	3360000	3255000
Quantity in sight 5-12-41	5990000	6253000

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES.

Bombay: December 10.

	Highest	Lowest	Closing at 5 p.m.
Broach A/M	231 1/4	221 1/2	224 3/4
Oomra D/J	194 1/2	186 1/2	189 1/2
Oomra March	182 1/2	173 1/2	176 1/4
Oomra May	184 1/2	175 1/2	178 3/4
Bengal D/J	143	137	139
Bengal March	145	138 1/2	140
Bengal May	147 1/2	141 1/4	143

COTTON PARITY

Bronch A/M below New York May 810 cent pts at 331.

METAL EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS

Bombay: December 11.

Copper sheets lb. 21—Rs. 130, 28—122, 35—121, 42—120, 49-56—119.

Brass sheets Flag Brand lb. 20-21—Rs. 130, 24—127, 28—125, 35—122, 42—121, 49-56—120.

Spelter 'P.H.' Rs. 80. Rosita Rs. 78. Country make Rs. 75. Pigiead 'B.M.' refined Rs. 30 per cwt.

Tin Ingot Pennang Rs. 61/8 per qr.

SETTLEMENT RATES

Copper sheets Posh 115, Chalter Rs. 117. Pigiead 'B.M.' Maha 29/8. Tin Ingot Penang Maha 60/8.

Market Tone:—Weak.

LINSEED AND WHEAT

Bombay: December 11.

Linseed May	9	2 0
Wheat January	5	13 9
Wheat May	7	1 9

GROUNDNUTS AND SEEDS

Bombay: December 11.

	Rs.	a.	p.
Groundnuts February—			
Opening	43	15	0
Highest	44	6	0
Lowest	43	9	0
Closing	43	14	0
Cottonseeds January—			
Opening	26	9	0
Highest	26	14	0
Lowest	26	4	0
Closing	26	11	6
Cottonseeds May—			
Opening	25	15	0
Highest	25	15	0
Lowest	25	8	0
Closing	25	10	6
Cottonseeds May—			
Opening	45	6	0
Highest	45	8	0
Lowest	45	0	0
Closing	45	2	0

PEPPER AND GINGER

Bombay: December 11.

Alleppey Pepper ready per candy	95	0 0
Maha Sud 15	93	0 0
Chaitra Sud 15	96	8 0
Ginger ready	36	0 0
Maha Sud 15	27	0 0
Chaitra Sud 15	27	0 0

Yarn And Silk Merchants Quotations

Bombay: December 11.

	Rs.	a.	p.
64/2 Koru Nissin—			
Spot	32	10	0
December	32	14	0
84/2 Koru Nissin—			
Spot	44	0	0
December	44	8	0
52/2 Any—			
Spot	3	1	3
December	3	2	0
80/2 Any—			
Spot	3	7	0
December	3	8	0
150 Any—			
Spot	3	1	0
December	3	2	0

Sugar Market

Bombay: December 11.

Fine White Java Sugar per cwt—
Java ready from Bond Rs. 16/12
African from Bond Rs. 16/8
Shipment September Rs. 11 F.B.H.
Indian Sugars Ready—
Ordinary Rs. 17/8 to 17/14
Large grain Rs. 18 to 18/8
Bombay Group March delivery Rs. 13/12.
Tone:—Steady.

Indian Stock Exchange

Bombay: December 11.

A sudden and steep break in prices occurred on the market to-day owing to utter absence of buyers. Towards the close, however, a partial reaction was noted. Tata Deferreds, which closed yesterday at 1945, opened at 1880 and at one time dropped down to 1780, but recovered later to 1830. Tata Ordinaries similarly opened lower at 358 and after declining to 338 reacted to 351. Textile shares also declined sharply. Bombay Dyeings finished at 1225 Indian Irons ruled easier at 31/12.

The following were the important quotations on the Exchange to-day:—

Tata Deferreds (1945) 1880 60 75 1780 1530
Tata Ordinaries (365) 358 352 357 338 351
Tata Ordinary 351, Tata Deferred 1830, Indian Iron 31/12, Steel Corporation of Bengal 19, Bombay Dyeing 1225, Central India 340, Century 402/8, Gokak 262/8, Kohinoor 365, Simplex 171, Andhra Valley 1750, Tata Hydro 184/6, Tata Power 1610, Associated Cement 159/8, Belapur 225, Bombay Burma Old 352/8.

GOVT. SECURITIES

Bombay, Dec. 11.

2 3/4 per cent 1948 57 Loan 97-12
3 1/2 per cent G P Notes 95-2
3 per cent 1951/52 Loan 99-8
3 per cent 1949/52 Loan 100-0
4 per cent 1960/70 Loan 109-12
4 per cent 1943 Bonds 103-8
3 per cent War Bonds, 101-10
4 1/2 per cent 1955 Loan 114-0

TAX FREE LOANS

5 per cent 1945/55 Loan 109-0
4 per cent 1958/63 Mysore 116-0
5 per cent 1955 Mysore 128-8

CORPORATION DEBENTURE

4 per cent B P T 1947 110-12
4 per cent M Deb 1947 110-8
6 per cent M Deb 1954 128-0
6 per cent K P T 1956 129 8
Trend: Weak.
Rates nominal.

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay: December 11.

Yesterday London Gold was unchanged at £8/8/0. Dollar Sterling cross rate was 4.02½ to 4.03 1/2 at London and New York quotation was not received.

London spot silver was unchanged at 23 1/2d and forward quotation was 23 1/2d. There was very little business. New York spot silver was unchanged at 35 1/8 cents. London Bombay spot and forward silver parity was Rs. 62/10/3. The local market was opened steady with Gold quoted at Rs. 47-14 and declined to Rs. 47/9 and steadied at Rs. 47/10. Silver opened steady at Rs. 65/14 and eased off to Rs. 65/10 on scattered realising. The market outlook is bullish and lower levels attract buyers.

Quotations were as under: Gold Silver

Ready	Rs. 47 12 0	66 8 0
Posh	Rs. 47 9 0	65 4 0

Sovereigns: Rs. 32/1.

LONDON SILVER

London: December 10.

Spot	23 1/2
Forward	23 1/2

LONDON GOLD

London: December 10.

Gold bars fine per Oz. £8/8/0

London Stock Exchange

London: December 10.

The Stock Exchange reacted sharply to the loss of "Prince of Wales" and "Repulse" and widespread heavy marking down was witnessed in all sections with largely nominal conditions ruling. Subsequently there was appreciable rally in Gilt-edgeds and Oils and also some recovery generally elsewhere, but apart from the Gilt-edgeds where the final losses were small, most sections were substantially lower on the day, especially the issues concerned with Eastern interests. Wall-St. market was gloomy.

LONDON WHEAT

Rozario Santa Fe 22/3
Barletta Russo 22/4½
South Australian 27/6.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Rupee Paper 3 1/2 per cent	£69 1/2
Indian Stocks—	£
3 per cent 1948	91
3 1/2 per cent 1931 or later	98 1/2
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	81 1/2
Conversion Loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	106 1/2
War Loan 3 1/2 per cent	104 1/2
Funding Loan 4 per cent 1960/90	114 1/4
Victory Bonds 4 per cent	113 3/4
Chartered Bank of I.A. & China	8 1/2
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London register)	64
National Bank of India	35 1/2

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London: December 9.

Rupee Paper 3 1/2 per cent	£69 1/2
Indian Stocks—	£
3 per cent 1948	91 1/4
3 1/2 per cent 1931 or later	98 3/4
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	82
Conversion Loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	106 5/8
War Loan 3 1/2 per cent	104 5/8
Funding Loan 4 per cent 1960/90	114 1/2
Victory Bonds 4 per cent	114
Chartered Bank of I.A. & China	9 1/4
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London register)	72 1/2
National Bank of India	36 3/8

SHIPPING NEWS.

IMPORTS

Bombay, December 11

2500 bags sulphur; 149 bags m s hoops; 5095 cs building board; 144 cases dry distemper; 240 cases washing blue; 2128 bundles hichory (timber); 175 pcs sau earthenware; 978 cases glazed tiles; 517 coils galvd wire shorts; 231 cases copper wire; 96 drums chloride lime; 955 boxes tin plate wired; 200 pairs beam flanges; 400 drums heald varnish; 40 cases borax; 140 drums broken ferric chloride; 30 drums solid; 84 pkgs copper rods; 35 cases iron screws; 400 bags carbonate magnesia; 80 bags calcined magnesia; 110 trs picking bands; 228 cases window glass; 59 cases c i gas meters; 90 d/ bags broken tiles; 120 d/bags light carb/ magnesia; 2634 drums caustic soda; 114 dms silicate of soda; 480 kegs sodium hyposulphite; 40 drums lump carb/ammonia; 40 drums sodium sulphite; 150 bags desiccated glauber salt; 40 drums alfoe briquettes; 50 cks sulphate of copper; 1020 drums solid sodium sulphide; 507 pkgs medicines and drugs; 88 cases toilet preparations; 72 cases common soap; 31 cases steel screws; 50 cyl empty steel; 69 cases sewing cotton thread; 300 lse fireclayware; 325 cases bath bricks; 37 bundles iron bedsteads; 72 ctns oil store; 30 cases bottles; 133 cases cotton pcegoods; 33 cases win pcegoods; 54 cases cart clothing; 33 cases mxd win and ctn pcegoods; 73 lse c i piston pipes; 60 bundles steel bars; 1100 lse asbestos cement pipes; 1300 cases tiles; 140 cases bobbins, shuttles and fittings; 38 cases earthenware; 220 pkg light magnesium carbonate; 53 casks salammoniac; 1017 pkgs dyestuffs; 448 pkgs machinery and parts.

EXPORTS

624 bags gr nut oil cake expeller H Manji and Co; 228 bags tale powder B Jani and Sons; 29 bales cotton pcegoods R Shantilal and Co; 127 bales cotton pcegoods The Central Trading Co; 10 bales cotton pcegoods S Mohanial and Co; 71 bales cotton pcegoods Jehangirji J M Poonjiaji; 15 bales cotton pcegoods G N Musry; 4 bales cotton pcegoods A Shammah; 33 bales cotton grey yarn Holland-Bombay Trading Co Ltd; 20 bales cotton yarn Grindlay and Co Ltd; 49 bales cotton grey yarn R Shantilal and Co; 6 bales cotton pcegoods A Ej Ejeji; 896 bags myrabollams H Bhagwandas and Co; 183 bales dried limed hides fleshing Luckon and Co; 35 bales cotton pcegoods Elic M H Najar; 26 bales cotton pcegoods Charle G Gazal; 50 bales cotton pcegoods Kebhavji Virji and Co; 193 bales cotton pcegoods Cox and Kings (Agents) Ltd; 102 bs cotton pcegoods D Abraham and Sons; 10 bales cotton pcegoods Hiralal Ltd; 45 bales cotton grey yarn S S Rueben; 55 bales cotton grey yarn Sapt Textile Products (India) Ltd; 20 bales cotton grey yarn Cox and Kings (Agents) Ltd; 10 bales raw wool M Hirji; 17 bales cotton pcegoods Hariram Khiaram; 18 bales cotton pcegoods S R Pusalkar and Co; 14 bales cotton pcegoods J Sakal.

FURTHER DROP ON STOCK EXCHANGE

Panicky Selling Meets Buying

MARKET CONFUSED AND ERRATIC

Bombay: December 11.

There was another bad break on the local Stock Exchange and great confusion prevailed. There was extensive nervous unloading and the present panic is the creation of the Exchange and now it seems that outsiders having lost heavily will have to bid goodbye to the Exchange for some time. There is no change in the industrial situation but confidence being impaired there were all sellers. The ban on short sales resulted in an artificial state of the market and there being no short interest there was utter absence of any effective resistance. Compared with London and New York Stock Exchange the decline in Bombay is severe. Tata Steel Defds have declined over Rs. 500 from the recent high level of Rs. 2350 and to-day they were freely offered at Rs. 1820. The market was erratic and under panicky feeling prices collapsed.

Yesterday the Wall-St. market was easy and U. S. Steel shares declined 5/8 at 48-1/8 and Anaconda Copper shares closed 1/4 down at 23 1/4. General Motors were 3/8 lower at 34 1/8 dollars.

The local market was highly manipulated and limited open business when forward business was resumed, gave an easy walk-over to manipulators and with encouraging industrial outlook attracted outsiders to buy irrespective of any price consideration. The market was self-cornered as cash shares were denied the facility of the forward market and wide disparity was the natural outcome. The Exchange authorities paid no attention and brokers were busy earning brokerages. Every one interested in Share business looked to personal interest, but the general interest of the Exchange remained neglected and warnings given by the President failed to have any effect. At last the crash came and now the structure has collapsed.

Tata Steel Defds opened Rs. 50 lower at Rs. 1935 and downturned to Rs. 1820. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 365 and eased off to Rs. 345. Bombay Dyeings opened at Rs. 1330 and declined to Rs. 1280. Bombay Burmas where speculative interest was limited were Rs. 25 down at Rs. 360. Associated Cement shares were quiet at Rs. 165. Later on there was replacement buying and prices rallied to Rs. 1875 and Ordinary shares were quoted at Rs. 359, while Bombay Dyeings were placed at Rs. 1307. To-day there was considerable liquidation and the technical position is improving, but the course of the market entirely depends upon war news.

TEXTILES

Bombay, Dec. 11.

100	Ahmedabad Advance	398	0
250	BOMBAY DYEING	1315	0
100	CENTURY	454	0
100	CENTRAL INDIA	424	0
100	Colaba	230	0
100	Coorla	155	0
250	David	402	0
250	Dawn	555	0
1	E D Sassoon Defd	3	2 3
100	FINLAY	271	0
100	GOKAK	341	0
1000	Hindustan	2930	0
100	Indore	255	0
100	Khatau	260	0
100	KOHINOOR	564	0
250	LAXMI	700	0
100	MORARJI	590	0
250	Model	225	0
50	MYSORE	132	0
200	NEW GREAT	370	0
100	Oosmanshahi	253	0
100	Podar	220	0
100	Phoenix	482	0
25	Sassoon Silk	106	0
1000	Sholapur	7120	0
50	SIMPLEX	230	0
100	SWADESHI	448	0
100	SWAN	280	0
500	Vishnu	1790	0
1000	Western	2080	0
	BANKS		
50-100	Baroda	118	0
25-50	Central	50	8
500	Imperial	1615	0
125-500	Imp. Conty.	406	0
50-100	India	145	0
100	Reserve Bank	109	0
5	Union	7 7	8
	CEMENTS		
100	ASSOCIATED	166	0
	INSURANCE		
10-50	British India	18	0
100	Empire	727	0
15-100	Jupiter	17	0
20	Mercantile	53	8
15-75	New India	51	0
200	Oriental	4710	0
10-50	Vulcan	10	9
	ELECTRIC		
100	Ahmedabad Old	185	10
1000	ANDHRA VALLEY	1720	0
10	Ajmir	13	1
50	BOMBAY TRAM	188	0
100	Bombay Suburban	188	2
10	Broach	13	6
100	Karachi	217	0
100	Poona	220	0
100	Surat	188	0
100	TATA HYDRO	190	0
1000	TATA POWER	1700	0
	RAILWAYS		
500	Ahmedabad Prantij	875	0
100	C. Province	108	0
100	Dhone Baramati	104	8
100	Gujarat	105	0
100	Mandra Bhon	107	0
100	Pachora Jamner	94	0
100	Sara Sirajganj	107	0
500	Tapti Valley XD	642	0
	MININGS		
8sh.	Burma Corp.	3	10
8sh	Indian Copper	2	0
10	Indian Iron and Steel	31	12
30	SHIVRAJPUR	41	0
0	Mucond Iron XD	14	0
30	TATA STEEL DEF	1895	0
75	TATA STEEL ORD	360	0
10	Steel Corporation	19	0
	MISCELLANEOUS		
100	ALCOCK	685	0
10	Air Services	3	14
50	BELAPUR SUGAR	318	0
500	Bombay Safe Dep.	650	0
250	BOMBAY STEAM X.D.	490	0
100	B Burma	387	0
50	Contry	140	0
8sh	Br B Petrol	2	8 0
100	IND BLEACHING	215	0
50	Ind Invest Trust	52	0
100	Indian Radio Def.	660	0
100	Indian Radio Ord	630	0
100	Port Canning	97	0
30	PREMIER Con XD	123	0
15	Scindia	73	7
25	Tata Oil	59	8
25	Tata Chemical	17	4
100	Wimco	219	0
	PREFERENCE		
7	p.c Andhra Valley	1560	0
6	p.c. Bombay Steam	325	0
5	p.c Central India (TF) X.D.	645	0
7	p.c. Bom Tram (TF)	77	8
6	1/4 p c Prem Const 2nd	116	0
6	1/2 p c Tata Steel 2nd	144	8
7	1/2 p.c. Tata Power XD	1657	0
6	p.c. Tata Steel 1st	211	0
7	p.c. Vishnu	748	0

MONEY MARKET

Bombay: December 11.

LONDON:—
Banks buying 90 days/St 1/6 9/32 2 months
Banks buying 90 days/St 1/6 5/16 Three months.
Banks buying 90 days/St 1/6 5/16 Four months.
B C RATES:—
T T 1/6 15/16; D D 1/5 15/16
Banks selling T T 1/5 31/32; D D 1/5 31/32
Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32; D D 1/6 5/32
NEW YORK:—
Banks selling T T Rs. 332 3/4; D D Rs 332 3/4.
Banks buying T T Rs. 329 1/2; D D Rs 327 1/2
Cross Rates Dol. 4.02 1/2; 3 1/2.
MONTREAL:—
Banks selling T T Rs. 302 1/2; D D Rs 302 1/2
Banks buying T T Rs. 297 1/4; D D Rs 294 3/4
Cross Rates Dol. 4.43/47.
JAVA:—
Banks selling T T Gld 55 3/4; D D Gld 56
Banks buying T T Gld 57 1/2; D D Gld ..
Cross Rates Gld 7.58/62.
JAPAN:—
Banks selling T T not quoting; D D not quoting.
Banks buying T T not quoting; D D not quoting.
Cross Rates Sh. 1/2 1/2.
BERNE:—
Banks selling T T Fcs 126 3/4; D D nil.
Banks buying T T Fcs 131 1/2; D D nil.
Cross Rates Fcs 17.30/40.
STOCKHOLM:—
Banks selling T T K 123; D D K 123
Banks buying T T K 128; D D K 128
Cross Rates K 16.85/95.
SINGAPORE:—
Banks selling T T Rs 158; D D Rs. 158
Banks buying T T Rs. 155; D D Rs. 154 1/2
Cross Rates Sh. 2/4 5/32 7/32
HONGKONG:—
Banks selling T T Rs. 85 1/4; D D Rs 84 1/4
Banks buying T T Rs. 81 1/2; D D Rs. 81
Cross Rates Sh. 1/3 1/32
SHANGHAI:—
Banks selling T T not quoting; D D not quoting.
Banks buying T T not quoting; D D not quoting.
Cross Rates Sh. 0-3 3/16
MEXICO:—
Banks selling T T Rs. 67.27; D D Rs. 66.27
Banks buying T T Rs. 63.04; D D Rs 62.04
Cross Rates Pec. 19 5 21.5.
LISBON:—
Banks selling T T Esc 7.36 nom; D D Esc 7.35 nom
Banks buying T T Esc 7.55; D D Esc 7.55
Cross Rates Esc 99.80 100 20
NEW YORK:—
Cross Rate Dol 4.03 3/4
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Steady
Gold £8/8/0 Ready
New York Silver 35 1/8
London Silver 23 1/2 Ready; 23 1/2 Forward.
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent
London Discounts 6 months 1 1/8 per cent.
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.
Mone:—Call 1/2 per cent.
1 to 2 months 1/2 rer cent.
3 to 2 months 3/4 per cent.
9 months 1 per cent.
Tone:—Better demand.

DEBENTURES

3	3/4 p.c Andhra Valley Deb	....	60
4	p.c. Bombay Telephone	....	80 4
5	p.c. Morarji	....	104 0
7	p.c. Sholapur	....	71 8
7	p.c. Tata Hydro	....	105 8

Cash Quotations were as under:—
BOM. DYEING 1240, CENTURY N415, CENTRAL INDIA 354, COLABA 188, FINLAY 239, GOKAK 260, KOHINOOR 472, MORARJI 550, MYSORE 143, NEW GREAT N295, PHOENIX 472, SIMPLEX 176, SWADESHI N410, SWAN N220, ASSOCIATED 160, ANDHRA VLY. N1750, BOM. TRAM 140, TATA HYDRO 183, TATA POWER 1615, SHIVRAJPUR 29, TATA STL. DF. 1855, TATA STL. OR. 348, ALCOCK N575, BELAPUR SUGAR 230 BOM. STEAM N355, BOMBAY BURMA 355, IND. BLEACHING 145, PREMIER CONST. 112.

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NEW YORK COTTON 29 POINTS UP

COTTON:

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES.
MARCH
New York, December 11

Previous closing	16.53
To-day's opening	16.58
Difference	+05
To-day's closing	16.82
Difference	+29

BROACH EXPECTATION.
Broach April/May ..... Rs. 228

NEW YORK COTTON.
New York, December 11
Following are the New York opening ranges :—
New York cotton cable not received.
December (15.00/15.98) 16.17/17
March (16.60/58) 16.58/58
May (16.71/16.70) 16.77/76

LONDON COMMODITIES.
London, December 11
SEEDS
Castorseeds Dec/Jan (£20 3/8 quoted) £20 1/2 sellers
Linseed Bombay/Calcutta Dec/Jan (£21 1/4 sellers) £20 9/16 sellers
Linseed La Plata Dec/Jan £15 1/2 sellers
Groundnut Coromandal Coast Dec/Jan (£20 sellers) £19 1/4 sellers
JUTES
Dundee October/November unquoted
Lightning October/November unquoted
RUBBER
Spot unquoted
Forward December unquoted
LONDON METALS
Tin not quoted.
Electric Copper (£62) £62
Lead (£25) £25
Glasgow Iron No. 2 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

Madras Share Market

MADRAS, December 11
The market ruled quiet but selling pressure was in evidence. Buyers were few.
Transaction report from 12 noon yesterday to 12 noon to-day :—
Buckingham and Carnatic ord 300; Sitaram Spinning 107/8; Mysore Silk Filatures 11/14; Lakshmi 151 cd; Kaleeswarar 468; Mysore Spun Silk 13/12; Sir Ranga Vilas 107/8; Vasantha ord 185/6; Pankaja 201; Pand Andavar 101; Cambodia 14/6; Madura 83 s i; Thirumbadi Stock 2/8; Mlamallay ord 28/12; Balanpor ord 10/8; Travancore Rubbers 13/2; Udayagiri 9/10; Ouchterloney Valley 3/9; Re Re Rubbers 9/6 o i; South Madras Electrics 14/10; Mysore Sugars 53; Travancore Sugars 15/10; Spencers 'B' pref 11/2; Madras Telephone 14/12; Mysore Tobacco 14; Mysore Papers 18/4 cd.

RECEPTION TO MR. WAMANRAO METRE
(From Our Correspondent)
YEOTMAL. (By Mail)
Mr. Wamanrao Metre has returned from England. It will be remembered that Mr. Metre had gone to England in August 1939 to prepare a report of the research work in geological branch, and has submitted the report after great deal of labour. He is the first Indian to do this work. The residents of Kalamb are arranging his reception on a grand scale under the presidentship of Dr. Nandurkar of Yeotmal at Kalamb his native place on the 13th instant at 6 p.m.

BACKACHE

A Warning that something Is wrong with your Kidneys

How often have you told yourself that your backache was due to over-tiredness —that you had been taking "too much out of yourself"? Make no mistake—those stabbing, sudden pains, or that down-dragging, dull ache, are Nature's warning of a trouble that may seriously undermine your health. Your kidneys are at fault—they are not discharging their duty.

If you try to carry on you will be giving yourself needless agony. What is more, you will be allowing poisons, uric acid among them, to spread all over the body, because your kidneys are too weak to filter them out naturally. This uric acid will then form crystals that lodge in the joints, giving rise to backache or rheumatism, and it may lead to scalding gravel or inflammation of the bladder.

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EXCHANGES:

CROSS RATES.
T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON
New York, December 11
Previous closing ..... not received
To-day's opening 4.03 3/4
T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK
London, December 11
Previous closing ..... 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's opening ..... 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's closing ..... 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2

LONDON BULLION.
LONDON GOLD
London, December 11
London Gold (£8/8/0) £8/8/0.
LONDON SILVER
London, December 11
Spot (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d
Forward (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d
CROSS RATES
London on Bombay (1-6) 1-6
Paris on Bombay not quoted
New York on Milan not quoted
New York on Bombay (30.36) 30.36
London on Shanghai (6-2 27/32 to 6-3 3/16) 6-2 27/32 to 6-3 3/16
London on Kobe not quoted
DISCOUNTS
3 months (1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent.
4 months (1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent.
6 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent.
BULLION AND SEEDS
Bombay, December 11
There was no trading during night session.

New York Stock Exchange

New York, December 11
New York Stock Exchange opening prices are as under :—
General Motors (dol 33 1/8) dol 33 1/4
Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 23 1/8) dol 23
U S Steel Common (dol 47 3/4) dol 48 7/8
U S Steel Preference (dol 113 3/8) dol 106 1/4

3 1/2 PER CENT STERLING LOAN

London, December 11
3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed to-day at £99 3/4
AUSTRALIAN LOANS
London, December 11
5 per cent 1958/68 £101 3/4
BRITISH FUNDS
2 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan £81 5/8
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan £106 9/16
2 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan £98 7/8
4 per cent Funding Loan £114 3/8
3 1/2 per cent War Loan £104 1/2
New York Loan £101 1/4
4 1/2 per cent Victory Bonds £114
INDUSTRIALS
Standard Motors 17-0
Marks and Spencer Ordinary 37-1
Electric Music Industry 14-0
Princhin Johnson 22-1
Imperial Chemical 31-10
Woolsworth New Ordinary 59-6
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates £72
Dundee 37-0
Unilever Ordinary 28-0
Ford Motors 24-4
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary £65
British American Tobacco Ordinary £4 3/8
Carreas 'A' £5 5/8
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary £6 3/16
P and O Defd 27-6
Distillers 72-9
Bredfords Dye 7-10
British Celanese 5-6
J and P Coates 37-7
Courtaulds Ordinary 33-9
Fine Cotton Spinners 5-4
Vickers Limited Ordinary 17-1
Inter Nickel dol 40 1/2
Indian Iron 51-3
TEA SHARES
Assam 18-3
Donaro Tea 31-3
Empire of India 19-4.
JUTE
Barnagore £9
RUBBER SHARES
Anglo Dutch Rubber 14-4
Gula Kelampong 12-6
Rubber Plant Inv Trust 24-4
MINING SHARES
Nandydrug 18-1
Burma Corporation 5-3
Rio Tintos £8
East Rand Properties £2 1/16
Rand Mines £7 1/8
MINE SHARES
Crown £10 1/2
Associated Portland Cement 48-9
Trinidad Leasehold 66-3
Sub Nigel £7 1/4
Spring Mines Split Shares £1 3/16
Union Coporation 158-9
OIL SHARES
Venezuela Persian 35-0
Anglo India 41-3
Burma Oil £2 19/32
Mexican Eagle 10-3
Shell Transport £2 5/8
Royal Dutch £21
RAILWAY SHARES
Great Western Ordinary £41
London Midland Ordinary £16
London North Eastern Def £1 7/16
London Southern Defd £14
London Transport 5 per cent £127
London Transport £41 1/2

STUDENTS & PENTANGULAR : The Jt. Secretaries of the Students' Anti-Pentangular Committee have sent the following appeal to the students :—
"Students and citizens, please enrol yourselves as volunteers for picketing at Pentangular matches, at Mantri House, near Opera House and 38, Harvey Road, between 6 to 8 p.m. daily."

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City Night A.R.P.

The first complete black-out in the city on Thursday night showed a large measure of success. There were a few cases of non-compliance, but on the whole, Bombay is to be congratulated on the satisfactory results of this incipient experiment.

On the stroke of quarter past ten, the sirens gave the signal with repeated wails and out went the street lights from the northern outskirts of the city to the southern and end at Colaba. Vehicular traffic came to a dead-stop, and lights were hurriedly put out from trams, motor-cars and victorias. Lights in buildings were immediately extinguished at the very first hooting of the "wailing banshees" and public co-operation seemed to be nearly complete, but for rare exceptions here and there.

In effect the entire city was enveloped in pitch darkness till the "All Clear" signal at half past ten.

At Apollo Bunder, the Taj and Greens and all the surrounding buildings switched off their lights at the first signal, but a glaring exception to the general black-out was the Royal Bombay Yacht Club, where the lights were fully ablaze for a full ten minutes after the sirens sounded the "lights off" signal. But even this Club had to fall in line at the tail end of the test as the Police Officers on duty and the A.R.P. personnel on the spot shouted their voices hoarse in giving instructions that the Club lights should be put out.

In other localities also, especially in thickly populated areas there were some cases of non-compliance, but the police soon set matters aright. The moment a light was noticed from any window, the A.R.P. men shouted to the people inside to switch it off.

The public, judging from the result of the first black-out spontaneously co-operated in making the experiment a success.

The test was also extended to the suburbs.

JOIN DEFENCE SERVICES

Lumley's Suggestion To Members Of C. C. I.

BOMBAY, Dec. 11.
An appeal to the members of the Cricket Club of India to be prepared to serve in the civil defence services was made by His Excellency Sir Roger Lumley, Governor of Bombay, speaking at the annual dinner of the club tonight. Lady Lumley was present.

In the course of his speech His Excellency said that the war had taken a new turn, a turn of very considerable importance especially to this country and to this part of the world. He continued:

"Hitler has relieved President Roosevelt from any embarrassment by declaring war on the United States. There is one thing we all should recognise and that is this war is going to be a hard one and a long one and may come closer to us. I would suggest to all of you to join any one of the various civil defence services and now is the occasion to do it. I would ask you to be prepared to serve in one way or other any one of those services."—A. P.

Turf Club Secretary In Witness-Box

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Somjee)
Camille A. J. Lobo. ..... Plaintiff.
v
The Royal Western India Turf Club Ltd. & Others. ..... Defendants.

This was the resumed hearing of the suit filed against the Turf Club, its Stewards, Secretary and Assistant Secretary for a declaration that the Plaintiff was entitled to go upon a certain open piece of land (part of storm-water reservoir) which had been dedicated to the public by the Municipality in 1919 as a recreation ground except on race days, and for another declaration that he was entitled as a member of the public to attend Race Meetings, for Injunctions preventing violation of these alleged rights and for damages for exclusion amounting to Rs. 25,000.

The cross-examination of Major Nabi Khan, the Assistant Secretary and Stipendiary Steward of the Turf Club was resumed yesterday morning by Mr. Kolah, Counsel for the Plaintiff. When Mr. Kolah questioned the witness about some conversation witness had with the Plaintiff in which the latter complained about the extension of service granted to Major Gulliland, the Secretary and Mr. Reed, a Stipendiary Steward respectively and stated that it was a breach of the undertaking to "Indianise" give by the Turf Club to the Congress Government which would justify criticism by the Plaintiff, the Advocate-General objected to the question on the ground that the Plaintiff himself had not deposed to it in his evidence. His Lordship upheld the Advocate-General's objection and disallowed that question.

Major C. C. Gulliland, the Secretary of the Turf Club was the next witness called on behalf of the Defendants. He was still in the witness-box under cross-examination when the Court rose for the day.

Mr. R. J. Kolah with Mr. J. H. Vakeel instructed by Messrs Eastley Lam & Co. appeared for the Plaintiff.

The Advocate-General Mr. M. C. Setalvad, with Mr. F. J. Coltman, Mr. N. P. Engineer and Mr. Y. B. Rege instructed by Messrs Cragie, Blunt & Caroe appeared for the Defendants.

Introduce Competition In Sport On Locality Basis

Bhulabhai Urges Abandonment Of Pentangular On Communal Lines, For Greater Good Of Country

Mr. Bhulabhai J. Desai has issued the following:—

"The public of Bombay are aware that a Citizens Committee has been formed for the purpose of giving a right lead as regards the question of what is now commonly called the "Pentangular Cricket Tournament" to be held shortly in the City. While it may be true that, though in the early days of cricket the line of division or selection of players was communal, it might not have been with a view to introduce any definite motive of communalism. During the last three or four years, however, it is being realised that, as in all other spheres of life, so in this one we have been acting on a wrong line which has served to accentuate differences which should not exist in a society based on proper and correct ideas of patriotism and citizenship. We have witnessed the amount of harm and grave injury which have been caused to the Indian people by this line of thought and action in the field of politics. While in the past we may have submitted to this idea in the field of sport and formed groups or combinations based on this false notion, it is time that we began to introduce competition in the field of sport on the basis of locality or any other already approved principle, as is done in the case of schools, colleges and universities, as in other countries.

RELIGION, NO CRITERION

The fact that a person is by religion a Hindu or a Muslim or a Parsi or a Christian should have nothing to do with his capacity to distinguish himself in the realm of sport and to contribute to its excellence and before the present communal idea takes deeper roots it becomes the duty of every patriotic Indian citizen to warn those who are indulging in it even though innocently against its ultimate dangerous consequences.

While a certain amount of opposition must always be encountered in opposing every traditional thing which is found to be wrong the person supporting the traditional idea should not be looked upon in a spirit of suspicion or hostility.

Sooner or later public opinion must crystallise itself against the idea of communalism in sport, and during the last two years public opinion on this point has been both clear and vocal. Some of the great supporters of sports among the Indian Princes have expressed their disapproval of this idea of competition in sport on communal basis. The public press has also expressed itself in its opposition in unambiguous terms, and even Mahatma Gandhi has lent his support to this opposition to communal principles in sport, and particularly, as it is expressed in a large scale in Cricket.

PUBLIC VOICE

Having regard to the strength of public opinion and the correctness of the lead which is given by the Citizens Committee I have every hope that the organisers of the present Pentangular Cricket Tournament will not insist on holding their festival, and would gracefully abandon the same. There would be no objection if the very same players were to play cricket, re-grouped on the basis of localities or on any other already approved principle, as is done in the case of schools, colleges and universities in other countries; and thereby set an example which could be followed by Indians in every walk of life. I am confident that the players and the public are patriotic enough to subordinate their hitherto conventional ideas to the larger good of the country."

Students Against Pentangular

Speeches denouncing communalism in sports and appealing to students to organise strong voice for abolition of the Pentangular Tournaments were made by speakers at a meeting of the students the North of Bombay at Vanmali Hall, Dadar on Thursday evening.

The meeting was organised under the auspices of the Students' Anti-Pentangular Committee. Mr. Dhirubhai Desai, President of the B.P.C.C. presided.

Mr. A. F. Talyarkhan, Mr. Ali Bahadur Khan, Dr. Naravane and Prabhaker Kunte also addressed the gathering.

CALCUTTA UNIVERSITY'S VICTORY

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 10.
Calcutta University won the east zone final of the Inter-Varsity Tennis Tournament here to-day. The unfinished doubles match was resumed to-day and the Calcutta University pair won it easily.—A. P.

FAIRLY WIDESPREAD RAINFALL

POONA, Dec. 11.
Rainfall has been fairly widespread in East and North Punjab and East Rajputana and local in the West United Provinces. A few showers are also reported in Gujarat. Observations from Kashmir have not been received.

Forecast (until 12th evening). Rainfall will be local along the Western Himalayas A few showers are also likely in Assam, South-East Bengal and the plains of East and North Punjab and West United Provinces.

Temperatures will fall in Rajputana, the Punjab, West United Provinces and West Central India.—A. P.

CEYLON TOUR TO BE DROPPED?

Appeal To President Of Indian Cricket Control Board

NEW DELHI, Dec. 11.
The following telegram has just been sent by Mr. A. S. DeMello, Vice-President, Board of Control, and Chairman, Ceylon Tour Committee, to Dr. Subbarayan, President of the Board of Control for Cricket in India at Madras :—

"Owing present grave position Far East I recommend abandonment of our tour to Ceylon next spring. Shall be grateful if Honorary Secretary advised obtain Board's approval by circulation. I also strongly urge Board take immediate initiative in programme of matches for help to war fund and recommend that suggestion made by me in "Sporting Times", Bombay, dated March 20, 1941, may kindly be circulated to Board for consideration at early meeting which may kindly be held at Bombay in last week of December".—A. P.

Lady Linlithgow Presents Cup

NEW DELHI, Dec. 11.
H. E. the Marchioness of Linlithgow has presented a handsome cup for the winner of the Women's Singles in the All-India Table Tennis Championships to be held at New Delhi during this Christmas week.—A. P.

ARYAN EDUCATION SOCIETY'S SPORTS: The Aryan Education Society's High School, near Two Temples, Girgaum, Bombay, holds its annual sports on the Wilson College Gymkhana Ground from 7-30 to 9-30 a.m. to-morrow Saturday. The past students of the high school are cordially invited to take part in the special item for them viz., "880 yards Walking Race", which will be begin at 8 a.m.

Badminton In Mahim

On Thursday morning, in the Gent's Singles event, in the Greater Bombay Badminton Championships, on the Woodland Sports Club's outdoor courts, V. N. Iyer, last year's runner-up, scored a meritorious victory over E. J. Carvalho, winner of the Travasso Championship in 1938 and 1939.

The following are the results:—V. N. Iyer beat E. J. Carvalho, 15—11, 15—4; Mrs. B. Castelino and Miss M. Caldeira beat Miss N. Varde and Miss N. Wagle 15—8, 15—9; D. Pontis and Miss I. Braganza w.o. J. Agnel and Miss De-Lima.

Fixtures for Saturday:—D. Pontis and Miss I. Braganza vs. Miss Cabral and partner.

Miss D. Rebello and partner vs. Miss I. Braganza and Miss M. D'Souza.

Mrs. Noeuer and Mrs. Fazelbhoy vs. Mrs. Samson and Miss D. Campos or Mrs. Castelino and Miss M. Caldeira.

Deodhar Birthday Match

POONA, Dec. 11.
It is understood that on the occasion of the 50th birthday celebrations of Prof. D. B. Deodhar, the famous cricketer of Maharashtra, which comes off during the next month a cricket match will be played on January 11 to 14.

It is also understood that prominent all-India cricketers including Amarnath, Banerjee, Vinu Mankad, V. M. Merchant, C. K. Nayudu, C. S. Nayudu, Jahangirkhan and Hazare will be invited to participate in the match.—A. P.

D.C.C.'S RESUME NORMAL WORK

The Ward District Congress Committees in Bombay have now been restored to their normal constitution.

It may be remembered, Mr. Dhirubhai Desai as the President of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee, declared an emergency for ward committees in June last and nominated seven Presidents for the wards. Now that the B.P.C.C. has gone back to the normal constitution, the ward committees have also been restored to their normal constitution.

The B.P.C.C., it is understood has issued instructions to the ward committees to carry on constructive work as also to conduct meetings in their jurisdiction for explaining the policy of the Congress. The Ward Committees will arrange such meetings every night from this week end.

Tributes To Bhargava

It was an appreciation of Bhargava's services that the Government conferred upon him the title of M.B.E., observed Mr. Indernarayan, Chief Judge of the Small Causes Court, Bombay, in the course of his address on the occasion of a reception offered to Mr. Bhargava, Secretary of the Union Bank, and to Mr. Marshall D'Mello, at the Bombay Presidency Radio Club, on Thursday evening.

Rai Sahib Motilal Agrawal also paid eloquent tributes to the services of Mr. Bhargava and the Marshall for the defence of India.

Mr. Elhinny, Collector of Bombay, who presided referred to the substantial services rendered by the Bombay Suburban Defence Committee and attributed them to the efforts of persons like Mr. Bhargava.

Mr. Bhargava made a suitable reply but said the suburbs were for all their efforts without defence.

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3rd DAY
SATURDAY, 13th DEC.
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LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS To-day

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Muslim: Jilkad 22, 1360
Parsi: Tir 9, 1311
Sunrise: 7h. 2m.
Sunset: 6h. 3m.
Hightide: 5-06, 18-02
Lowtide: 12-04, 23-42

BHULESHWAR D. C. COMMITTEE: The Hon. Secretary, Bhuleshwar District Congress Committee, has received a sum of Rs. 500 as donation from a sympathiser through Mr. Ganpatishankar N. Desai.

GIRGAUM D. C. COMMITTEE: An urgent meeting of the Managing Council of the Girgaum District Congress Committee will be held to-day (Friday) at 7 p.m. in the Committee Office, Congress House, Girgaum. Business: (1) Arrangement of propaganda in the present state; (2) Any other business allowed by the Chair.

"KABRA'S PREDICTION": Prof. Kabra filed a declaration before Chief Presidency Magistrate, Mr. Oscar Brown, on Wednesday requesting His Worship to allow him to convert his magazine "Kabra's Prediction" which is a fortnightly, into a monthly journal, on and from January 1st, 1942. His Worship granted the necessary sanction for printing his magazine as a monthly journal.

JAINACHARYA'S LECTURE: About six to seven thousand Jains assembled at Nivrati Nagar, Andheri, to hear public lecture of His Holiness the Jainacharyashree Ramchandrasuriji. His Holiness referring to capitalist system asked Jains to be real to their ideal.

After the lecture, all those assembled to hear the lecture took dinner served by Sheth Manekial Chunilal.

TELEGRAPH NOTIFICATION: All cheap rate telegrams, such as deferred, daily letter telegrams, etc. to Iraq are subject to serious delay.

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AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

CAPITOL—"Bitter Sweet" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"Moon Over Miami". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
METRO—"Dive Bomber". Daily at 3-15, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"Topper Takes a Trip". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"Ghost Train". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Darshan" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
PATHE—"Nai Roshni" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Anjan" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
WEST END—"Sangam" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
MINERVA—"Sikandar" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Khazanchi" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Gharki Laj" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Sasural" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Sant Sakhu" Daily at 4, 7 and 9-45 p.m.
EDWARD—"The Birth Of A Baby" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Swami" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
HINDMATA—"Chitra-Lekha" Daily at 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m.
BROADWAY—"Himmat" Daily at 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m.
KOHINOOR—"Payachi Dasi" Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
PALACE—"In The Navy" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
SUPER—"Circus Queen" Daily at 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m.
CHITRA—"Ummeed" Daily at 4, 6-45 and 9-45 p.m.

MAHIM A.R.P. COMMITTEE: Mr. Y. A. Gole, Ambulance Officer, will deliver a lecture on First Aid (short course for wardens) to-day (Friday) at 8 p.m. at St. Michael's High School, Mahim. Mr. H. Fazelbhoy will preside.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: There will be a public study class on "The Septenary Constitution of Man" from the Ocean of Theosophy by W. Q. Judge, to-day (Friday) at 6-15 p.m. at Jehangir Wadia Building, opposite Flora Fountain.

BALKAN-JI-BARI: To-day (Friday) is the last day for receiving names, subscriptions, etc., of those who propose to join the Bombay Balkan-ji-Bari trip to Sind, by the General Secretary, at "Gulistan", 12th Road, Khar.

PROF. A. R. WADIA'S LECTURE: Under the joint auspices of the Rahnuma-e-Mazdayasnan Sabha, Gatha Society, Y. M. P. A. and others, Prof. A. R. Wadia will deliver a public lecture in English to-day (Friday) at 6 p.m. (S.T.) at the Sir J. J. Mody Memorial Hall (Museum East) on "Renaissance in Zoroastrian Religion."

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS: Lady Lumley presided at a meeting of the Council and Group Leaders of the Bombay Women's Auxiliary Corps and the Governor of Bombay and Lady Lumley dined with the Chairman and Members of the Committee of the Cricket Club of India on Thursday.

ILLUSTRATED PUBLIC LECTURE: Under the auspices of the Blavatsky Lodge, T. S., Mr. J. V. Dani will lecture in Gujarati at the Besant Hall of the Lodge at French Bridge, Chowpatty to-day (Friday) at 6-30 p.m. (S.T.) with Lantern slides, on "Adyar."

CHILD ART EXHIBITION: The general meeting of the Child Art Society was held at Wilson College, Bombay, on Wednesday. Prof. P. A. Wadia presided. After passing the constitution of the Society, the meeting decided to have a Child Art Exhibition in February next in the Town Hall. This will be the first of its kind not only in India but in the East.

TECHNOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION: Under the auspices of the Technological Association, University of Bombay, Dr. F. S. Tomlinson of Messrs. Imperial Chemical Industries (India) Ltd., will deliver a lecture on "Dyestuffs and the Indian Textile and Allied Trades in War-time" to-day (Friday) at 5-30 p.m. in the lecture-room of the Department of Chemical Technology, Bombay University.

KERALEEYA THOZILALI SEVA SANGHAM: The Azad Free Reading Room started under the auspices of the Temker Street branch of the Bombay Keraleeya Thozilali Seva Sangham will be inaugurated by Khwaja Ahmed Abbas to-day (Friday) at 8 p.m. at the Neighbourhood House, Nagpada. Mr. Abbas will preside and Messrs. K. T. Chandy and Ebrahim Khan of Jamia Milliah will speak.

SAFETY FIRST ASSOCIATION OF INDIA: Lecture on "Weather Forecasting" by Dr. S. R. Savur, M.A., Ph.D. (London) Director, Colaba Observatory, at 6-15 p.m. to-day (Friday) in the Conference Hall, Electric House, Fort.

MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER'S ROUNDS
The Municipal Commissioner will meet the elected members of Ward No. 14, tomorrow (Saturday) at 6-51 a.m. (B.T.) at the Central Vaccination Station near Old Parel Tram Terminus and go round with them in the Ward.

TAMIL DRAMA TO-MORROW.
Amateurs of the South Indian Association, Bombay, will put on boards "Punarjanmam" in Tamil at the Damodar Thackersey Hall, Parel, to-morrow (Saturday). "Punarjanmam" caricatures the vices of a modern city where the "get-rich-quick" mania grips the middle-class people and drags to misery and crime. Full particulars can be had at the S. I. Association, Telang Road, Matunga (G.I.P.).

Gumasta Agitation

GUMASTA WEEK CELEBRATIONS
A big meeting of the Gumastas of Girgaum was held on Tuesday at Mangal Wadi under the presidentship of Mr. Rustomji Elchidana. Mr. Elchidana urged the Gumastas of Girgaum not to become idle merely because they were getting their common weekly holiday. He reminded them of their duty to join the Gumasta Dal so as to go to the assistance of Gumastas in other localities of the city.

Mr. Girdhar Shakkar, Bhagwandas Kapadia and Muichandji Vyas also spoke.

Another huge meeting of Gumastas was held at Dana Bunder Bridge, Mandvi the same day under the presidentship of Mrs Vimlaben Mehta.

HINDU-MUSLIM GUMASTA UNITY DAY: Under the leadership of Messrs. Ashok Mehta and Keshav Talpade, a procession will be taken up at 10 a.m. in the morning from Nakhoda Mohalla, All Hindu and Muslim Gumastas from Dadar, Lal Baug, Kalachowki, Parel, Byculla and Bhendy Bazar who get on Friday a weekly holiday will muster strong in the thousands. The procession after moving in different localities will terminate in a meeting at Azad Maidan under the presidentship of Mr. Narbheram Popat.

Under the leadership of Sjt. Bhagwandas Kapadia, another procession will be taken out at 3-30 p.m. from Ganesh Gulli in Lal-Baug and after passing through various localities in Dadar and Lal Baug. The procession will terminate in Moti Bhuvan, Dadar, in a meeting will be held there under the presidentship of Mr. Keshav Talpade. A meeting will be held at Champa Gulli, Mulji Jetha Market in the Azad Chowk, under the presidentship of Sjt. Samaldas Gandhi at 9-30 p.m.

DEV SAMAJ MAHOTSAV
The 91st birthday anniversary of the most Worshipful Bhagwan Dev Atma or the Mahotsav of the Dev Samaj was celebrated in the hall of Shri Dev Guru Bhagwan Memorial Mandir, at Lahore, from 1st December to December 5. About 1,000 pilgrims attended this function.

The grand total of subscriptions to All-India Defence Loans since they were first issued in June, 1940, up to December 6, 1941, is Rs. 1,08,16,58,000.

RANADE CENTENARY

Public Celebrations On Jan. 18

The Bombay Presidency Social Reform Association is taking the initiative to celebrate the Centenary of the birth of Mr. Justice Ranade in collaboration with several leading public bodies in the City. At a meeting of the representatives of those bodies it was resolved to hold a public meeting of the citizens of Bombay on Sunday, the 18th January 1942, under the presidentship of the Rt. Hon. V. S. Srinivasa Sastri, to arrange for prize essay competitions on the subject of "Ranade, the Nation-Builder" from among the students of the Colleges and High Schools in the City, an all-India broadcast, a procession to the statue of Justice Ranade and a dinner.

Brunners Exhibition At Town Hall

The Exhibition of Paintings by Mrs. Sass Brunner and Miss Elizabeth Brunner, well-known artists, was visited by a large number of citizens on Tuesday. The Exhibition will be open at the Town Hall till December 22, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. every day.

Quarterly Motor Vehicles Tax

Motorists are reminded that payment of tax on their cars for the fourth quarter falls due on 1st January 1942. The last date for payment of the tax (that is, the date to which the period of grace extends) is 15th January 1942, in accordance with the Bombay Motor Vehicles Tax Rules of 1940 Those who make payments after that date are liable to a monetary penalty—so states a Press Note of the Western India Automobile Association.

Members of the W.I.A.A. who wish to take advantage of the facilities offered by the Association are requested to forward their remittances to the W.I.A.A. office along with their Registration Certificates and "AT" forms duly completed. The "AT" forms can be had from the W.I.A.A. Members are advised to remit the tax sufficiently in advance in any case before 13th January. Payments received subsequent to that date will be accepted by the Association only at member's risk. W.I.A.A. members in Poona and Ahmedabad will receive assistance from the Association's offices in those towns.

Mass Spinning At Congress House

The General Secretaries of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee, announces:

Under the auspices of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee there will be a demonstration of mass spinning at the Congress House on Sunday, December 14. The spinning will start precisely at 8 a.m. (S. T.) and will close at 9. All Satyagrahis, including the released prisoners are required to attend the function and take part in the demonstration. Any Satyagrahi who is unable to attend should intimate to the B.P.C.C. the reason for non-attendance. Members of the public who are regular spinners are also requested to join this demonstration. Every spinner taking part in this mass spinning has to bring his own charkha and slivers. Of course each one will take back the yarn he spins.

In the evening on the same day there will be a simjiar demonstration at Lal Baug Maidan, Chinchpokli, between the hours 5 and 6. Those Satyagrahis and other spinners who can conveniently attend this demonstration should make it a point to do so.

Approved Badge For Auxiliary Nursing Service

DECEMBER 10.

Her Excellency the Marchioness of Linlithgow, President of the newly constituted Auxiliary Nursing Service, has approved a badge for use in the Service. The badge is circular in shape and is of the same size as the badge of the St. John Ambulance Association. A map of India with a star inset is embossed on one side with the words "Auxiliary Nursing Service" around the margin and the serial number is engraved on the reverse. The badge is being made by His Majesty's Mint in Bombay in silver plated cupro-nickel. Every registered member of the Service will be provided with the badge which will remain the property of the Government.

Ban On "Sanskritiche Nandadip"

The Government of Bombay has declared that the book in Marathi entitled "Sanskritiche Nandadip", written and published by Mr. D. M. Damle, Training College (for Women) Hingne Budruk, Poona 4, and printed by Mr. V. G. Ketkar, Lokasangraha Press, 624, Sadashiv Peth, Poona, should be forfeited to His Majesty on the ground that it contains words of the nature described in clause (h) of Section 4(1) of the Indian Press (Emergency Powers) Act, 1931.

Scarcity Of Water In City

Mr. Minoo F. Master writes to draw the attention of the municipal authorities to the inconvenience caused by closing the water supply in certain localities for a long time during the day. In some places in Tardeo, he says, people get no water from 9-30 in the morning to 4-30 in the afternoon. To stop the supply as early as 9-30 in the morning is to cause a lot of inconvenience to the public concerned. He suggests that the 9-30 hour should be extended to 10-30, at least to 10 in the morning In the evening it would be better if people get water from 3-30 instead of 4-30.

All-India Veerashaiva Mahasabha

With reference to the report which appeared in our issue of the 8th inst regarding the forthcoming session of the All-India Veershaiva Mahasabha Mr. S. S. Dhekne, chairman of the reception committee writes to say that "the meeting of the Reception Committee called on Sunday the 7th instant for the purpose of electing the president of the session was adjourned, as the nomination papers from the Working Committee, Sholapur did not arrive till then as expected. There was, therefore, no meeting of any kind of the Reception Committee held on the day. "The resolutions purported to have been passed thereat are, therefore ineffectual and the election of office-bearers in lieu of those holding the offices since 22nd June last, as alleged to be made therein, is more or less a farce.

Exhibition Sale At Bandra

Under the auspices of the P.B.F. Employment Bureau of Bombay, an interesting Exhibition and Christmas sale of fine indigenous articles has been arranged at Parsi Social Club, Perry Road, Bandra, where splendid opportunity for buying varieties of useful household articles such as silk and cotton piecegoods, blouses, kerchiefs, hosiery, towels, napkins, dusters, toilet goods, tea, salt, sweets, chocolates, New Year cards, etc., etc., at tempting rates are offered to the Bandra public. All articles are guaranteed to be genuine and fresh. The sale is open to the public whole of Sunday, the 14th December, 1941 only. No entrance fees. The exhibition deserves to be a success.

On The Air

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

4-30 p.m. For Indian Troops in the Far East. 5 Master Mumtaz and party. 5-15 Master Madan. 5-30 Patdeep. 5-40 Farhat Jahan Bibbo. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Special announcements. 6-15 Abdul Ghani. 6-30 Allies and Alliances. 6. 6-45 For villagers only. 7-45 It has happened. 7-50 Mohammad Shafi. 8 Abdul Latif Khan. 8-15 India and the Persian Gulf. 8-30 Master Mumtaz and party. 8-45 Preet ke geet. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-15 News commentary in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 9-45 War commentary. 9-55 Listening post. 10 Master Mumtaz and party. 10-20 Mohammad Shafi. 10-30 Farhat Jahan Bibbo.

Bombay I—Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)

8 a.m. Instrumental duet. 8-5 News in Hindustani. 8-15 News in English. 8-25 Mumtaz Begam. 8-40 Marathi pad. 8-50 News in Marathi. 9 News in English. 9-10 Pramilabai. 9-25 Vinayak Rao Harshe. 9-40 Saleh Mohammad. 9-55 String music. 12-30 p.m. Naats and Qawwalis. 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 Marathi film songs. 1-15 Variety. 1-30 News in English. 1-35 Lunch hour music. 4-15 School broadcast. 5 Tomorrow. 5-5 Kantilal B. Nayak. 5-15 Geet on sarinda. 5-20 Vinayak Rao Harshe. 5-40 News in Marathi. 5-45 News in Gujarati. 5-50 Saleh Mohammad. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Clarionet duet. 6-20 Local news and announcements. 6-25 Local news and announcements. 6-30 Aunty Hilda's Happy Half Hour. 7 Marathi Actor's Diary. 4. 7-15 Kantilal B. Nayak. 7-25 Film music. 7-35 Vinayak Rao Harshe. 7-45 News commentary. 7-50 to 8 "The Late Bhaskerrao Tambe": A talk in Marathi by Prof. V. G. Maydev. 8-0 News in Marathi. 8-15 News in Gujarati. 8-30 World affairs. 8-45 Newsgram. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-15 News commentary in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 9-45 War commentary. 9-55 Listening post. 10 Pramilabai. 10-15 Mumtaz Begam. 10-30 Rambhau Ashtekar.

Bombay II—Programme

41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

8 to 8-5 a.m. As in Bombay 1, 8-5 Rambhau Ashtekar. 8-25 to 8-50 As in Bombay 1. 8-50 Geets 9 Jaltarang Solo. 9-10 to 10 As in Bombay 1.

41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

12-30 to 2-25 p.m. As in Bombay 1.

61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

4-15 to 5-40 p.m. As in Bombay 1. 5-40 Bhavgeet. 5-50 to 6 As in Bombay 1. 6 Kantilal B. Nayak. 6-10 to 7-15 As in Bombay 1. 7-15 Interval.

89.15 metres (3,365 kc/s)

7-30 p.m. Commercial news. 7-45 to 8 As in Bombay 1. 8 Rambhau Ashtekar. 8-30 to 9 As in Bombay 1. 9 Air Orchestra. 9-10 Pramilabai. 9-20 Saleh Mohammad. 9-30 Melody Trio. 9-45 Korshed Joshi. 10 Melody trio. 10-15 Hertha Becker. 10-30 Evelyn Gedge.

Security Demand Reduced

The Government of Bombay has reduced the amount of security required from the keeper of the Bharat Printing Press, Dhulia (West Khandesh), from Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 500.

PLEA TO FIX NEWS. PRINT PRICES

BOMBAY, Dec. 11.

A resolution requesting the Government to immediately take steps to fix the price of newsprint was passed by the Executive Committee of the Indian Languages Newspapers Association at its meeting held here yesterday under the presidentship of Mr. Amritlal D. Sheth, president of the Association.

The Committee drew the attention of the Commerce Member and the Import Controller" to the shocking rates of newsprint prices prevailing to-day in the market. Newsprint sheets were sold at nine annas and ten annas per pound on Dec. 9 in Bombay. And although the committee pointed out, "there is still considerable stock of newsprint with dealers, nothing is available unless the prices demanded by the dealers are paid." The Committee, therefore, demands that besides prices being fixed immediately, firms as well as individuals dealing in or possessing owning newsprint should be compelled to declare their stocks, whether they resided in British India or not.

The Committee requests the authorities that non-submission or false submission of stock-lists should be made penal.

The President has been authorised by the Committee to lead a deputation to meet the Commerce Member to the Government of India, if need be, to rectify the present position.—A. P.

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PACIFIC-FIRST ROUND!

In the Battle of the Pacific, the first round has undeniably gone to the Japanese. It is also clear that not only have they taken the advantage of their treacherous action but also that the Democracies were really caught napping. Neither the British in Malaya nor the Americans in their Pacific bases seem to have been prepared for an attack on anything like this scale. It bespeaks a serious state of complacency on the part of the authorities of Britain's Far East Command and America's Pacific Fleet, and a heavy price is being paid for it by the Allied Powers. The loss of two such battleships as "Prince Of Wales" and "Repulse" has crippled Britain's fleet in the Far East and it is little consolation to be told that "Britain still has 19 battleships afloat or building" and that four "40,000 ton monsters" are due to be completed in 1943 and 1944! As Mr Churchill says, in his experience he does not remember any naval blow so heavy or so painful. The occupation of Thailand by Japanese troops brings them right up to the doorsteps of Burma. Hongkong is in a precarious condition, being surrounded by the enemy both by land and sea, though an heroic attempt is being made by Chinese troops to attack the Japanese rear at Canton and the latest messages report the repulse of two Japanese attacks from Shanghai and the prevention of an attempted landing of troops on the eastern shores of the city. It is, as Mr. Duff Cooper described it, "the darkest day we have faced in the Far East". The British press has not been slow to realize the gravity of the hour and the "News Chronicle" summed up the situation with admirable candour and a courageous resolve to face facts when it wrote:—

"The decapitation of our Far Eastern squadron—a blow which is the culmination of a series of bitter allied reverses in the Far East—together with the damage done to the American fleet and the naval bases, means that our position in the Pacific has sharply and dangerously deteriorated.

"The Japanese successes dislocate our Pacific strategy enormously, add to the peril of Australia and Singapore and our outpost bases, sharpen the threat to all our Far East sea routes, and increase the difficulty of supplying Russia".

Poor Starters

The situation for the United States is equally grave. The tragedy of unpreparedness that was witnessed at Pearl Harbour, involving as it did serious loss to an important naval base, has been followed by landing of Japanese troops on the Luzon Island, under cover of heavy air attacks though another attempt at landing troops on the west coast of the island has been repulsed and in Manila the situation is reported to be completely in hand. The naval base at Cavite has been subjected to severe bombing and several merchantmen lying in the harbour were hit by Japanese bombs. The audacity of the enemy airforce can be estimated from the fact that daylight attacks were made by hundreds of Japanese bombers on the Philippines and the Luzon Island, and Manila city was bombed in brilliant sunshine. The only news to offset all these serious losses is the sinking of the 29,000 ton Japanese battleship "Haruna" near northern Luzon. But that is surely not enough consolation and except for a yet unconfirmed report about sporadic air-raids on Japanese cities we have heard little of counter-blows. The Democracies, as the "Yorkshire Post" says, are poor starters in warfare. No doubt they will, in the course of time, redeem the position and hit back effectively, fiercely, conclusively. But it will require all their resourcefulness, the willing endeavour of the ordinary people as well the fighting forces which only democracies can expect and secure, and, finally, the maximum amount of co-operation between all the members of the Democratic Front.

Inevitable Doom

Germany and Italy have declared war on the U. S. A. The U. S. A. senate has given a prompt reply by unanimously passing a Bill enabling American expeditionary forces to be sent to any part of the world. President Roosevelt said on Tuesday that Germany and Japan were conducting their military and naval operations in accordance with a joint plan. That plan must be matched with a similar plan by the ABCD Powers and Russia. As Mr. Churchill says, "we have a hard period to go through and a new surge of impulse will be required". There is no doubt the new surge will be forthcoming and it will be too irresistible for Hitler and his Allies to escape their inevitable doom.

Resumption Of Office

In the current issue of the "Social Welfare" Mr. K. M. Munshi seems to urge the Congress to go back to office in the Provinces. He does not say this in so many words. But, after pointing out a number of familiar evils, which he attributes to the renunciation of office, he says: "I therefore urge that that assumption behind the present Congress position requires re-examination. What line of action such re-examination would yield is another matter.... At all time it is dangerous to withdraw from spheres of power and influence; it is most so when the world is being reshaped. Irrespective of the British attitude we must reconsider our attitude." We suppose we do not misinterpret these words if we understand them to suggest that the Congress should form Ministries again whether or not the British Government accept the larger demands made by it.

Mr. Munshi is not unaware of the difficulties of office acceptance by Congress in the present circumstances. When a few weeks ago this very suggestion was made by Mr. S. Satyamurti, Mr. Munshi pointed out all these difficulties. Showing how during the last few months Government "manipulated the reactionaries in the country to thwart the possible obstructiveness of the Nationalist" he said: "They made new alliances; they entrenched themselves behind formulas which successfully barred the way to any settlement with the Congress. Coalition ministries, rights of veto conceded to the disruptionists, ...are deliberate steps taken to carry on the war in disregard of nationalist opinion. Is it expected that if Shri Satyamurti carries the Congress with him on the question of resumption of office, the gates will be opened?" Mr. Munshi mentioned several other difficulties, too, but it is not necessary to discuss them as they can be overcome if Congress and Government are in a mood to arrive at a settlement with regard to the wider issues.

As regards the basis for negotiations for a settlement we have often suggested that the Poona offer of the Congress is the best basis. But Mr. Munshi remarked in his earlier article mentioned above: "When the Congress went back on the Poona Resolution it made a choice which it will never be able to withdraw from at this stage. No doubt theoretically the A. I. C. C. can undo what it has done. It can rescind the Bombay resolution and reiterate the Poona one; it can go back still further and resolve to accept office. But democratic organisations cannot in the nature of things take the summersaults which dictators alone can". If Mr. Munshi now thinks it feasible for Congress to resume office "irrespective of the British attitude", it is much easier for it to revive the far more honourable Poona offer, which had to be revoked because Government flouted it but which can be honourably revived if Government show any willingness to reconsider it.

New Ministry In Bengal

A new Cabinet is being formed in Bengal in curious circumstances. On the one hand there are charges of treachery and on the other there are some very strange bad fellows. But on the whole the new Ministry promises to be stable enough in spite of the opposition of the League Party of nearly sixty members and a group of ten Scheduled Caste members who have announced their adhesion to the League. With a following of about 194 members the new Cabinet may expect to have a decisive majority on its side even if the European group of 25 members joins the opposition which is not at all likely. The most important feature of the Cabinet is that it shows that a Cabinet with a fair promise of stability is possible on non-communal lines even in a communalism-ridden province like Bengal. But one must not halloo too much till one is quite out of the wood. Let us hope that the new Cabinet will set an example by following a sound nationalist policy.

KING-HALL NEWSLETTER

How Blockade Affects Germany

Below are extracts from the King-Hall Newsletter dated December 4, 1941.

The conference held at Berlin last week to renew the Anti Comintern Pact was a pale ghost of what the Nazi leaders had envisaged last June. The German High Command were confident that, when the bitter Russian winter settled on the northern front, the backbone of Soviet resistance would have been broken and the Germans securely established in Moscow and Leningrad.

Hitler did not trouble to attend last week's conference at Berlin. Ribbentrop and the entire Nazi propaganda machine were turned on to the job of creating the impression that the meeting was an event of the greatest importance. Unfortunately from their point of view, the date of the meeting coincided with the Russian offensive on the southern front and the British offensive in Libya which, whatever the final outcome may be, has meant the wresting of the initiative from the Germans on a scale unprecedented since the war began.

Nazism can live only on successes and even the temporary loss of the initiative means a political as well as a military blow at the Nazi power. Every week brings further evidence that the Germans did not expect to spend the winter outside Moscow and Leningrad and counted on quantities of Russian clothing and equipment falling into their hands. Early in autumn the Nazis began requisitioning blankets and winter clothing throughout the occupied countries. Later they extended the practice to the civilian population of Germany. More recently German soldiers in Rumania and Norway have been obliged to give up one blanket each to supply the forces on the Eastern Front. When the Wehrmacht is allowed to feel the pinch, it is time to take account of the situation.

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The requirements of the German armies in Russia have also been a factor in the recent 40 per cent cut in the general clothing ration in Germany. Even before the war clothing in Germany was comparatively scarce and of poor quality. Individual reserves have, therefore, been depleted and the new garments available have low wearing qualities. Some samples have recently been brought to this country. Typical of the general standard was a man's shirt purchased in a high-class shop in Germany less than two months ago. It was sold as a woollen shirt, the price being equivalent to around 30 shillings. Upon examination it proved to contain no wool whatsoever and was actually made from cotton waste.

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Since the beginning of autumn our Russian allies have been charging the Germans with taking overcoats and heavy clothing from Russian prisoners. It has now been established that the Germans have started sending out parties of men to bring back clothes from fallen soldiers, their own included. These clothes, with characteristic German efficiency, are sent to depots which have been set up in Poland and Czechoslovakia where they are ground down and respun into new cloth. Civilian clothing when it has reached a stage when it can be patched and mended no more, undergoes similar treatment.

The situation which we have described should not be taken to mean that the German war machine is on the verge of collapse because of the textile shortage. It does mean, however, that our blockade is beginning to make wool and certain other commodities very scarce on the Continent and that the Germans are beginning to experience discomfort and are having to exert themselves and use labour and machines in an uneconomic manner to make up deficiencies.

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There will be no "Munich" in the Far East. If the Japanese had any doubts on this question the discussions at Washington have served to place the responsibility for peace or war in the Western Pacific squarely on the shoulders of Japan. Harakiri is the old Japanese technique of getting out of an awkward situation and the world is now waiting to see whether this procedure is about to be followed by Japan as a nation or by a few individuals in Tokyo who have staked everything on a policy of military aggression. We earnestly hope that it will be the latter, for whilst the elimination of the war clique in Japan would be to the general good, including that of the Japanese themselves, the destruction of the modern Japanese State, which would almost certainly result from a general war in the Pacific, would have unfortunate repercussions far beyond the frontiers of the unhappy country.

If they choose the path of war the Japanese may be expected to enjoy some initial successes of sufficient importance to cause considerable surprise in Britain and a disturbing shock in the United States. In the end they have not one chance in ten of success against the forces the A.B.C.D. front could make available, notwithstanding the war in Europe. Whatever the Japanese decision may be, it cannot be postponed much longer for, while her leaders are trying to make up their minds and canvassing all prospects of the situation in Washington, the economic restrictions invoked against Japan by the U.S.A. the British Empire and the Netherlands East Indies have been exerting a drastic effect upon the Japanese economy.

Frankly Speaking

Russia Hits Back

The Russian situation continues to be hopeful. The Soviet claim to have established air superiority over the whole front, particularly the Moscow area, is supported by considerable evidence. The Nazi ring round Leningrad has definitely been broken by the recapture of Tikhvin by the Red Army. This town, 110 miles south-east of Leningrad, is situated on the main railway line which transports supplies to the Northern Capital. After its capture by the Nazis, the Russian position in this sector had perceptibly weakened but now they have retrieved that loss. After a deadly battle in a temperature of 35 degrees below zero, this key-point has been retaken and the retreating Nazi troops are being hotly pursued. At the same time, on the Crimea front, the Germans seem to have lost all hopes of capturing the great naval base of Sebastopol after suffering as many as 15,000 casualties in this campaign. Indeed, in no sector are the Germans making any headway in Russia. Not only has their offensive been checked but the Nazi army has suffered serious damage and, in many places, has been forced to retreat.

A. R. P. And Congress

The Congress policy of non-co-operation with war effort cannot be justly extended to Air Raid Precautions which have nothing violent or imperialistic about them. When asked whether he would advise Congressmen to co-operate with Government in A.R.P. measures, Pandit Jawaharlal rightly replied: "Congressmen obviously will always help in the protection of life whenever such danger arises." As such help in a time of panic needs to be concerted according to plan, it requires previous training; and Congressmen, who seek to serve the public in all circumstances should fully co-operate with the A.R.P. authorities in all matters of training and general precautionary measures.

The Pentangular

Mr. Bhulabhai J. Desai, President of the Citizens' Committee recently formed in Bombay to bring about a discontinuance of the present Pentangular Cricket Tournament, has issued a none too early appeal urging the organisers of the Tournament to abandon it. The merits of this question have been discussed threadbare in the press and on the platform and public opinion is steadily rallying against the communal tournament. We do not know if its organisers will immediately heed Mr. Desai's appeal. But if those among the public who support it cease patronising the tournament and persuade their friends to do likewise, the so-called carnival will be but a farce and even that will come to an end when an all-India tournament on non-communal lines is organised.

THE WORLD

"O world, as God has made it! All is beauty:
And knowing this, is love, and love is duty.
What further may be sought for or declared?"
—BROWNING
THE GUARDIAN ANGEL

Churchill's Reply To Axis Challenge

'We Would All Rather Perish Than Be Conquered'

LONDON, December 11.

THE POSITION OF BRITAIN, THE UNITED STATES AND HER ALLIES FOLLOWING THE JAPANESE DECLARATION OF WAR WAS REVIEWED BY MR. CHURCHILL IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

THE PRIME MINISTER SAID: "THE JAPANESE ONSLAUGHT HAS BROUGHT UPON THE UNITED STATES AND BRITAIN VERY SERIOUS INJURIES TO OUR NAVAL POWER. I CANNOT REMEMBER A NAVAL BLOW SO HEAVY AS THE SINKING OF "PRINCE OF WALES" AND "REPULSE."

The naval power of Britain and the United States is still largely superior to the combined forces of the three Axis Powers. For the next few months at any rate, we must expect that the volume of American supplies reaching Britain and the degree of help given by the United States Navy will be reduced."

Starting with the position in Libya, Mr. Churchill said, "The Libyan offensive did not take the expected course, but General Auchinleck set out to destroy the entire armed forces of the Germans and Italians. Now it seems very probable that he will do so.

From the viewpoint of drawing weight from the vast Russian front, the continuance of the fighting in its severity is not to be regarded as an evil. The first phase is over. The enemy has been swept out of positions which barred our Western advance. Tobruk is definitely disengaged. Substantial British reinforcements and fresh troops are close at hand."

BATTLE OF ATLANTIC

In the Battle of the Atlantic "November fully maintains the great recovery of the previous four months."

Paying a tribute to Russia's "glorious steadfastness," Mr. Churchill said, "German losses have been immense. The Russians now have regained definite superiority in the air over large parts of the front. Although our position has changed in important ways, not all favourable, we must faithfully and punctually fulfil the very serious undertakings we have made to Russia."

CHURCHILL'S REVIEW OF WAR

Mr. Churchill reviewing the war situation in the House of Commons said, "The military spokesman in Cairo has been pretty well justified in what he said, having regard to how things seemed to stand when he said it. If anybody based their hopes on what he said, that man would find to-day that he had not been misled. The Libyan offensive did not take the course that General Auchinleck and others expected, though it would reach the end at which they aimed. Still when all is said and done on November 18, General Auchinleck set out to destroy the entire armed forces of the Germans and Italians in Cyrenaica and now on 11th December, it seems very probable that he will do so. The Commanders beforehand had an idea that the whole German armoured forces would be encountered by our armoured forces in a mass at the outset. However, the sudden surprise and success of our advance prevented any such main trial of strength. Almost at the first bound we reached right to Sidi Rezegh dividing the enemy armoured forces and throwing them into confusion. In consequence, a very large number of fierce detached actions took place over an immense space of desert country and the battle though equally intense became both dispersed and protracted.

For us, the foundation of everything was supply and mechanised transport, and this was provided on what has hitherto been considered a fantastic scale. Also, we had to rely on our superiority in armour and in the air. Most of all, everything depended for us upon the absolutely unrelenting spirit of offensive not only in the Generals but the troops and every man that has been forthcoming and is still forthcoming.

All troops have fought all the time in every circumstance of fatigue and hardship with one sincere, insatiable desire to engage the enemy and destroy him, if possible. But behind all this has been persisting the will power of the Commander-in-Chief, General Auchinleck. Without that will power, we might easily be subsided to the defensive and lost the precious initiative to which here in this Libyan theatre we have for the first time felt ourselves strong enough to make claim.

GENERAL RITCHIE FOR COMMAND

On November 24, General Auchinleck proceeded to battle headquarters, and on 26th, he decided to relieve General Cunningham and appoint Major-General Ritchie, a comparatively junior officer to command the 8th army in his stead. General Cunningham rendered brilliant service in Abyssinia and was also responsible for the planning and organisation of the present offensive in Libya which began with surprise and success and which has now definitely turned the corner. He has since been reported by medical authorities to be suffering from serious overstrain and has been granted sick leave. Since 26th November, therefore the 8th Army has been commanded with vigour and skill by General Ritchie.

MEETING NAZIS ON EQUAL TERMS

Although the battle is not yet finished, I have no hesitation to say that for good or ill, it is General Auchinleck's battle. I believe we have found in him as we have also found in General Wavell a military figure of the first order. A British armoured corps, a New Zealand Division, a South African Division and an Indian Division, the British 70th Division and the rest of the Tobruk garrison including Poles have all played an equally valiant and active part.

At the beginning of the offensive, I told the House that we should for the first time be fighting the Germans on equal terms in modern weapons. This was quite true. Naturally, there have been some unpleasant surprises and some awkward things have happened. Those who fight the Germans fight a stubborn and resourceful foe. Some of the German tanks carried as we knew six-pounder guns which though it fires many fewer shots is sometimes more effective than the gun with which our tanks are mainly armed. Our losses of tanks were a great deal heavier than we expected and may be that at the outset before it was disorganised the enemy's recovery process for damaged vehicles worked better than ours. I am not so sure of it, but it may be so. We had good superiority in the numbers of armoured vehicles. We gradually obtained mastery so far as the first phase of the battle is concerned. Our air force was undoubtedly superior throughout in numbers and quality, and although the Germans have drawn in the most extravagant manner upon reinforcements from many quarters, including the Russian Front, that superiority has been more than maintained. The greatest satisfaction is expressed by the troops and by the military authorities about the way in which they have been helped and protected by the action of the R.A.F. None of the complaints in the previous enterprises have reached us here upon that score.

ENEMY MAULED

May be this wearing down battle will be found in the end to have inflicted a decisive injury

Join The A. R. P.

To The Editor of "The Chronicle".

Sir,—I venture to ask you to devote a little of your space in publishing this letter, although I know that at this critical juncture newspaper space is very valuable. But the very reason which makes your space valuable prompts me to trespass upon it. I refer to the war situation.

The A. R. P. organisation still requires recruits in all branches of its service. Besides wardens, who are the backbone of the organisation, we require volunteers of the following types:—

(a) Young men of good education and physique are required as volunteers to be trained as leaders of rescue parties and Auxiliary Fire Service units.

(b) Men of good physique for recruitment as rank and file of the Auxiliary Fire Service and Rescue parties. No particular standard of education is required. These will be paid, if they so desire, at part-time rates, viz., Rs. 15 per month for the Auxiliary Fire Service and Rs. 17-8-0 per month for the Rescue Service. In addition, bonuses are paid for attendance at drills and fires. One hundred hours a month are the normal working hours expected.

(c) Owners of motor cars who are prepared to offer their cars and if possible, their own services or those of their drivers, for the Casualty Service.

(d) Motor cyclists are required as volunteer despatch riders.

I believe there are thousands of persons, young and old, in Bombay who would find A. R. P. work keenly interesting and inspiring. I believe that thousands of people have hitherto not joined the organisation on account of the remoteness of the theatres of war inducing in them a sense of false security. May I, for obvious reasons, ask these now to consider the matter again?

It will be convenient for intending recruits to apply to their Divisional Wardens whose addresses have been published from time to time. But if they have forgotten their Divisional Warden's address, a letter or a call at the A. R. P. Headquarters will do as well.—Yours etc.,

D. SYMINGTON,
A. R. P. Controller.

A. R. P. Headquarters,
Bombay.

TÊTE-À-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

NEW DELHI, December 11.
With reference to the representation made by Sardar Sant Singh and some Members of Parliament urging consultation with the Indian Central Legislature on the Far Eastern situation, it is understood that the question of summoning a special session of the Central Legislature at an early date is receiving the Government of India's earnest consideration.—A. P.

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Said the belle to the beau
"Still fifteen minutes to go,
Read your paper with eyes more keen
It's not ten but ten fifteen."

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A reporter who was asked to sneak around the Fort area during the Black-out 15 minutes says that what he saw was unforgettable, what he heard is unprintable!

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Mr. A. K. Fazlul Haq has formed a new Cabinet in Bengal with Dr. Shyama Prosad Mookerji, Working President of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, as one of the Ministers.

Pakistan Zindabad! Hindudom ki Jai!

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Hitler is going to address a meeting of the Reichstag to clarify the the German attitude to the Pacific conflict. News item.

We did not know it needed any clarifying.

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Japan's Secret Weapon: SECRECY!

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Here is a sample of the devious route by which news travels in war time.

Reuter correspondent, wiring from Basle in Switzerland, quotes the Berlin correspondent of "Basler Nachrichten" As saying that, according to a Budapest message to the Vichy News Agency, Hitler has returned to Berlin and had several conferences with Goering!

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But even this record is challenged by the process adopted to deliver British M. P's' letters to Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru. It appears that these letters were handed over to Mr. Amery, Secretary of State, who sent them to the Viceroy. The Viceroy sent them to Governor of the United Provinces who sent them to the Superintendent of the Dehra Dun Jail.

A simpler—and speedier!—procedure would have been for the M.P.'s to come down to India in person and have a chat with Pandit Jawaharlal in jail.

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A Japanese Government spokesman says that "the Japanese navy is determined and prepared to secure for itself the Pacific and Indian oceans."

Even if it has to go to the bottom of these oceans?

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The same spokesman warned the Japanese people to be prepared to carry on the war against Britain and America for ten years.

Such exaggerated modesty ill becomes the direct descendants of the Sun God!

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS

(1) The Japanese are using torpedoes which carry men on their back to propel and direct them.

(2) The Viceroy called Mr. Fazlul Huq and, hey presto, the new Bengal ministry was formed.

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A doctor who had a neurasthenic patient said to him: "Say each morning. 'The Mediterranean sun is beating down on me and curing me.' "

A week afterwards his patient went to report progress.

"Doctor", he said, "I'm much better.

"Good", replied the doctor. "Go on with the treatment, and don't forget the Mediterranean sun is beating down on you."

In another week the doctor called on him and was horrified to find the blinds down.

"What's happened?" he inquired of the maid.

"Plired, sir, Mr. Robinson's very ill."

"Heavens, what was the cause?"

"Sunstroke, sir."

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Indifference is not good nature.

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A sensible woman seldom wastes her time on a handsome man.

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Praise is due to the man who makes good when conditions are bad.

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Lives of great men remind us that there are still a few book agents.

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It takes a widow who is fishing for No. 2 to distinguish between a nibble and a bite.

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Some people tell the truth only when they can say something mean about their neighbours.

Huq Forms New Ministry In Bengal

CONGRESS PARTY CLARIFIES ATTITUDE TOWARDS CABINET

CALCUTTA, Dec. 11.

On receipt of an urgent communication from Government House at ten this morning Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq, ex-Premier, and Leader of the newly formed Progressive Coalition Party left for Government House to see the Viceroy at 11-15 a.m.

The Governor it is learned, has called upon Mr. Huq to offer him his advice regarding the formation of a new ministry in the province.

Mr. Huq is closeted with the Viceroy

NEW CABINET FORMED IN BENGAL

CALCUTTA, Dec. 11.

Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq, ex-Chief Minister and now Leader of the newly formed Progressive Coalition Party has formed a new Cabinet in Bengal.

Just at 10-50 a. m. Mr. Huq entered Government House accompanied by Dr. Shyama Prosad Mookerji, Working President of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha and Leader of the Nationalist Party in the Bengal Assembly.

On his coming out of Government House just an hour later Mr. Huq informed the Associated Press that he has formed a new Cabinet with himself as Chief Minister and Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookerji, Leader of the Nationalist Party and the Nawab Bahadur of Dacca, ex-Minister, as members.

The names of other members to be included in the Cabinet will be announced to-morrow or the day after, he added.

Immediately after announcing the formation of the new Ministry Mr. Huq issued the following message to his countrymen through the Associated Press:

"In the supreme hour of national peril I earnestly call upon all my countrymen, irrespective of caste, creed, or community to rally round us and give us strength and courage to carry out our great mission for a better Bengal, for a more united Bengal and for a happier Bengal in the interest of the millions of inhabitants of this Province.

I hope my appeal will touch the heart of every Bengali.

GOVT. COMMUNIQUE

The following communique has been issued from Government House announcing the formation of a new Cabinet by Mr. A. Fazlul Huq.—

"His Excellency the Governor has today invited Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq to recommend to him the names of persons for appointment as Ministers, including one or more members of important minority communities, who in his judgment are in a position collectively to command the confidence of the Legislature.

Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq has accepted His Excellency the Governor's invitation, and has recommended that the Council of Ministers should be constituted by the appointment of himself, Dr. Shyama Prosad Mookerjee and Nawab Khawaja Habibullah Bahadur of Dacca, pending the appointment of other Ministers. His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to accept these recommendations, and the Minister-designate will take the Oaths of Office and Secretary at Government House at 9-45 a.m. tomorrow, December 12.—A. P.

HUQ EXPELLED FROM LEAGUE

NEW DELHI, Dec. 11.

Mr. M. A. Jinnah, President, All-India Muslim League, has expelled Mr. Fazlul Huq from membership of the Working Committee and the Council of the Muslim League and Provincial District and Primary Leagues of Bengal, and has ordered that Mr. Huq shall not be eligible for membership of the Muslim League organisation.—A. P.

BENGAL CONGRESS PARTY'S ATTITUDE

CALCUTTA, Dec. 11.

Mr. Kiren Shankar Roy, President and Leader of the Bengal Congress Parliamentary Party, in the course of a lengthy statement in connection with the formation of the Cabinet by Mr. Fazlul Huq says:

"His party with the full approval and consent of the All-India Parliamentary Committee came to a decision that if there is any motion of no-confidence against the Cabinet that has been misgoverning Bengal during the last four years and more, the Congress would attend the Assembly and vote in favour of no-confidence. The decision was arrived, not because of any personal animus against any Ministers concerned, but because of the communal policy pursued and the reactionary measures adopted by the Ministry."

Mr. Roy adds: "His party will be prepared to consider the policy and programme of the Cabinet on their merits. The Congress does not attach any importance to the present constitution and its functioning. Its possibilities whatever there were four or five years ago have been completely exhausted, especially in view of the present international situation. It is now a positive hindrance to progress and calculated to disrupt the nationalist forces and divert public attention from the issue of Indian independence and other tremendous issues that face India to questions which are after all trivial and transitory".

GOPINATH BARDOLOI WELCOMES IT.

"A decidedly progressive move", said Mr. Gopinath Bardoloi, former Premier of Assam, to the 'United Press' when the news of the formation of a new Ministry in Bengal was communicated to him on his arrival in the city today from Shillong. Mr. Bardoloi expressed satisfaction with the formation of the new Ministry.—United Press.

Reds Maintain Advance

More Villages Retaken Beyond Tikhvin

LONDON, Dec. 11.

The Soviet midday 'communique' states: "During the night of December tenth our troops fought the enemy on all fronts."

Capturing six more populated centres in Stalinogorsk area (south of Tula), Soviet guard units have annihilated over 1,000 German officers and soldiers, states a Soviet supplementary 'communique.'

Beyond Tikhvin, now occupied by the Soviets, fifteen more villages have been retaken and the Germans are being pursued further.

The roads along which the remnants of General Schmidt's Thirty-ninth Army Corps is fleeing are kept under heavy Soviet artillery fire. One Soviet detachment made its towards a village in the enemy's rear, killed 100 Italians and returned without loss to itself.

On the southern front counter-attacks by the German General Schwedler are being successfully repulsed. General Kliest's troops are still retreating and pursued. They are also being harrassed constantly by Soviet guerilla detachments who lay ambushes by day and use snipers and surprise raiders by night.

A German 'communique' reports that in the east heavy losses have been inflicted on the enemy in checking local attacks.

In North Africa there was no large engagement yesterday.

Viceroy To Visit Jamshedpur

VICEROY'S CAMP, Dec. 11.

His Excellency the Viceroy and Party will visit Jamshedpur tomorrow, and from there, they will proceed to Calcutta.—A. P.

A telegraph notification says, owing to congestion, all classes of telegrams to Singapore are subject to considerable delay.—A.P.

Jap Airmen

have sunk the "Prince of Wales", the "Repulse" and the "Oklahoma"....

HOW GOOD ARE JAPANESE AIRMEN?

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New Phase In Battle In Libya

BRITISH PATROLS DESTROY AXIS TANKS: MANY ENGAGEMENTS NEAR EL ADEM: ENEMY AIR ATTACKS ON TOBRUK

ROME, Dec. 11.

An Italian Communique says that yesterday enemy pressure on Sollum continued. The R. A. F. raided Tripoli causing fires.

AXIS TANKS DESTROYED

LONDON, Dec. 11.

British patrols in the coastal area of Libya have located and destroyed 38 enemy tanks in workshops in addition to 27 destroyed yesterday, it is learned authoritatively here.

Authoritative circles add that nothing can be said as to the number of tanks the Axis has left in Libya. When the campaign opened two German divisons and one Italian armoured division consisted approximately of 135 tanks to each division.

Third Phase Of Battle

Apparently the British force is entering the third phase of the battle, the object being presumably to destroy the remainder of the enemy's forces.

In the second phase the intention was to deal with armoured formations. These have been very badly battered, but are still not without capacity to fight. Phase two also accomplished the relief of Tobruk, the destruction of very considerable quantities of material of all kinds and heavy losses of men.

The opposing forces are preponderatingly Italian and there is no information in London that General Rommel has been able to get any reinforcements.

CLASHES NEAR EL ADEM

CAIRO:—A Middle East War 'communique' issued by the British G. H. Q., Cairo, today states: "Throughout the day our mobile forces continued successfully to attack the enemy whose general trend of movement is north-west and west from El Adem. A number of engagements took place, but owing to the wide area covered and the difficulties of communication detailed reports have not yet been received.

Enemy troops and transport sheltering behind defences immediately west of El Adem were attacked by British armoured units, while further to the west, British and South African mobile columns pressed the enemy back all day in a north-westerly direction.

Small pockets of enemy infantry and armoured cars left in the area north of Bir Hakeim are being dealt with.

NAZI TANKS DRIVEN OFF

In the late afternoon our armoured forces attacked and drove off a number of German tanks which were endeavouring to interfere with operations being carried out west of El Adem by Sikhs, Punjabis and the Royal Sussex Regiment.

Some miles southwest of Acroma, British armoured units shelled a concentration of enemy motor transport, burning some and damaging others.

At Tobruk itself, Polish units maintaining pressure on the enemy captured two posts on the western defences.

ENEMY ATTACKS ON TOBRUK

Enemy air action against Tobruk yesterday was on a somewhat increased scale, but ineffective.

Further east South African troops continued to clear up the area north of Trigh-Capuzzo where the few enemy stragglers are still being captured. New Zealanders are also engaged in mopping up operations in the area immediately east of Tobruk. In addition to 27 abandoned tanks which were found between Bardia and Tobruk the day before yesterday, a further ten German tanks have now been discovered.

IN FRONTIER AREA

In the frontier area our artillery is persistently harassing enemy detachments isolated in various defended localities. The supporting ground forces of our air forces carried out continual sweeps over the whole area of operations. Enemy concentrations and motor transport were attacked, and near Acroma in particular, a number were damaged and set on fire. Ground troops shot down one German ME. 110.—Reuter.

GEN. CUNNINGHAM REPLACED

Maj.-Gen. Ritchie To Be In Command Of British Army In Middle-East

LONDON, Dec. 11.

General Cunningham has been relieved of Command of the British Army in the Middle East, it is officially announced. It is learned that General Cunningham is now on sick leave suffering from overstrain.

Major-General Ritchie has been appointed in General Cunningham's place.—Reuter.

CHURCHILL'S REPLY TO AXIS CHALLENGE

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upon the enemy than if it had all been settled by manoeuvre and in a few days. In no other way in this Libyan attack, could a second front have been brought into action under conditions more costly to the enemy and more favourable to ourselves. The first stage of the battle is now over. The enemy is still strong, but severely mauled, and largely stripped of his armour is retreating to a defensive line west of the Tobruk fortress. It may well be that the second phase will gather more easily the fruits of the first than has been our experience in the fighting which has taken place so far. All dangers of the Army of the Nile not being able to celebrate Christmas and the New Year in Cairo have been decisively removed."—Reuter.

PLEDGE TO RUSSIA

The Atlantic Battle in November and the first ten days of December fully maintained the great recovery of the previous four months.

Turning to Russia, Mr. Churchill said that Hitler was not only brought to a standstill everywhere, but his losses had been immense—and this was only the beginning of winter. The Russians had now regained definite superiority in the air over large parts of the front. The launching of the Nazi campaign on Russia was one of the outstanding blunders of history. "Nevertheless, we must remember the great munition capacities which have been lost to Russia by the German invasion, and our pledges to the Russians for heavy monthly quotas of tanks, aeroplanes and vital raw materials. Although our position has changed in various important ways, not all favourable, we must faithfully and punctually fulfil the very serious undertakings we have made to Russia."

Mr. Churchill then turned to Japan's "cold-blooded, calculated, violent, treacherous" attack in which it seemed certain that Japan counted on the active support of German Nazis and Italian Fascists. "I know I speak for the United States as well as the British Empire when I say we would all rather perish than be conquered. And on this basis putting it at its worst, there are quite a lot of us to be killed.

Generalissimo Chiang-Kai-Shek has assured me that the whole resources of China are at the disposal of Great Britain and the United States. China's cause is henceforth our cause. The country which has faced Japanese assault for over four years with undaunted courage is indeed a worthy ally, and it is as Allies that from now on, we will go forward together to victory, not only over Japan alone but over the Axis and all its works.

HEAVY NAVAL BLOW

Japan's onslaught has brought upon the United States and Great Britain very serious injuries to our naval power. In my whole experience, I do not remember any naval blow so heavy or so painful as the sinking of H.M.S. "Prince of Wales" and H.M.S. "Repulse." These two vast powerful ships constituted an essential feature in our plans for meeting the new Japanese danger, as it loomed against us in the last few months. These ships had reached the right point at the right moment and were in every respect suited to the task assigned them. In moving to attack Japanese transports and landing craft which were disembarking in Siam and in Malaya at the Kra Isthmus or thereabouts, Admiral Phillips was undertaking a thoroughly sound and well considered offensive operation not, indeed, free from risks but not any different in principle from many similar operations we have repeatedly carried out in the North Sea and the Mediterranean. Both ships were sunk by repeated air attacks by bombers and torpedo aircraft. These attacks were delivered with skill and determination. There were two high level attacks, both of which scored hits and three waves of torpedo aircraft, nine in each wave, which struck each of our ships with several torpedoes.

There is no reason to suppose that any new weapons or explosives were employed or any bombs or torpedoes of exceptional size. The continual waves of attack achieved their purpose, and both ships capsized and sank having destroyed seven of the attacking aircraft. The escorting destroyers came immediately to the rescue, and have now arrived at Singapore crowded with survivors. There is reason to believe that the loss of life has been less heavy than at first feared. I regret Admiral Phillips is among those reported missing.

Naturally, I should not be prepared to discuss the resulting situation in the Far East and in the Pacific or the measures which must be taken to restore it. It may well be that we shall have to suffer considerable punishment, but we shall defend ourselves everywhere with the utmost vigour in close co-operation with the United States and the Netherlands Navy. The naval power of Britain and the United States was very greatly superior and is still largely superior to the combined forces of the three Axis powers. But no one can underrate the gravity of the loss which has been inflicted in Malaya and Hawaii or the power of the new antagonist who has fallen upon us or the length of time it will take to create, Marshal and Mount a great force in the Far East which will be necessary to achieve absolute victory. We have a very hard period to go through, and a new surge of impulse will be required and will be forthcoming from everybody. We must faithfully keep our engagements to Russia in supplies, and at the same time, must expect at any rate for the next few months that the volume of the American supplies reaching Britain and the degree of help given by the United States navy will be reduced. The gap must be filled and only our own efforts will fill it. I cannot doubt however now that 130 million people in the United States have bound themselves to this war, the flow of munitions and aid of every kind will vastly exceed anything that could have been expected on a peacetime basis. The British Empire, the United States, Russia and China are fighting for life. Behind these four great combatant communities are ranged all the spirit and hopes of all conquered countries in Europe prostrate and under the domination of the foe. It would, indeed, bring shame upon our generation, if we did not teach him a lesson which will not be forgotten in the records of a thousand years."—Reuter.

STATE OF WAR IN THAILAND

TOKYO, Dec. 11.

The Thai Government proclaimed a state of war throughout Thai territory, says a Bangkok despatch to the Domei News Agency. The Nation is urged to maintain order.

A Bangkok despatch to the "Asahi Shimbun" says: "Bangkok branches of British banks, the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank and the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, have been taken over by the Japanese forces.

British owned newspaper the "Bangkok Times" is reported to have been placed under Japanese supervision.—Reuter.

HITLER SPEAKS

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voured to prevent a breach with the United States, but now Italy and Germany are forced in loyal fulfilment of their obligations under the Tripartite Agreement to associate themselves with the struggle of Japan against America and England"

Hitler spoke faster than usual to-day, and when he came to the passage relating to German casualties, he raced through the list of figures.

The Reichstag was crowded with deputies and spectators, including representatives of the occupied countries while in the Diplomats' gallery, the Japanese and Italian Ambassadors symbolically sat side by side.

Goering and Hitler arrived five minutes after the appointed hour, and the Assembly rose to attention in memory of the German soldiers killed since the last session.

Goering said, "We thank them and also their relatives who may mourn them with pride since they have made a German victory sure" Then turning to Hitler Goering said, "My Fuehrer, I ask you to speak to us". There were a number of bursts of cheering, but once or twice Hitler paused for cheers which did not materialise.—Reuter.

Italy Declares War

ROME, Dec. 11.

Count Ciano received the United States Charge d'Affaires at 14-00 and made the following communication. "The King Emperor declares that from to-day, Italy considers herself in a state of war with the United States."

MUSSOLINI'S BOAST

A huge crowd gathered at the Palazzo Venezia to hear Mussolini who began at 12-5 p.m. (G.M.T.) declaring "this is another day of solemn decisions in Italy's history."

"Italy and Germany are more than ever closely united against the United States. I say it is a privilege to fight with the Japanese. Neither the Axis nor Japan wanted an extension of hostilities. Only one man wanted it." Mussolini concluded declaring "Italians, men and women, we shall win."—Reuter.

BERLIN ARRESTS AS RETALIATION

BERLIN, Dec. 11.

A North America Journalist and a number of United States citizens were arrested in Germany according to the official German News Agency. It says that afrests are a measure of reprisal against "the completely arbitrary arrests of representatives of the German agencies and newspapers in the United States on the order of President Roosevelt and simultaneous wave of arrests against German and Italian citizens in the United States.—Reuter.

Munshi Urges Re-examination Of Situation, "In All Humility"

Shows How To "Forge Link Of Power And Strength Binding India To New World"

Sjt. K. M. Munshi, in the course of an article in "Social Welfare" states:—

The anticipated release of the politicals has come about. As expected Gandhiji has spoken. It appears that things will remain as they are. But appearances are deceptive, often, if not always.

Gandhiji's personal attitude is not difficult to understand. He believes he is the chosen instrument of God to fight violence with non-violence. Convinced of his high mission he has seen in the present worldwide outburst of brutal violence, a challenge to himself, his mission, his God. At all costs he is determined to stand unshaken in his faith, to keep with him such men as stand by him and vindicate his mission.

That Gandhiji with his eyes fixed on the ultimate triumph of the Moral Order will not compromise with the forces of untruth and violence is to my mind a certainty. In his letter to the "Times of India" dated February 10, 1941 he said:—

"I have never stated during previous movements that they were likely to be long drawn out. But I have done so this time because I believe that there can be no settlement with the Congress, short of complete independence during the pendency of the war, for the simple reason that the Congress cannot commit itself to active help in war with men and money."

To-day, he has reiterated that to suspend anti-war activity is to deny myself.

FAITH IN GANDHIJI

That Gandhiji will not shrink from a supreme act of self immolation if the occasion arises is also clear to me as day light. It is in the fitness of things, that prophets like him should pursue the path indicated by their mission, unfettered by weaker men. Were it not so, humanity would have no hope to look forward to.

To those whose faith in Gandhiji is that of the Apostles to Jesus, no higher, no more glorious destiny can be found than the commandment of the Master To deny such men the liberty of conscience if exercised in a non-embarrassing manner is an unforgivable sin, even on the part of an irresponsible Government.

But the Congress is different. That all or many or even an appreciable number in that vast political organisation are anywhere near apostleship is a claim, which has to be stated in order to be found substantial. The Congress is a political body. Its members who count have a political ambition and a secular objective: the attainment of Swaraj. Such men are of two kinds: those who have absolute faith in Gandhiji's leadership and those who, knowing his tremendous hold over the masses, see no escape from it.

If the Congress remains as it is, compact and non-co-operative, the symbol of popular power, however small it may grow in size now, it will, when peace returns, be a power which will easily recapture its position as an irresistible challenge to foreign rule in this country If the Congress retreats to the Poona position, the organization will wither without a militant programme. Mr. Amery will fling his insolent august offer in their face. The British policy will soon mobilise reactionary forces to thwart nationalism. Why not, say these, then, wait till the War is over?

But the soundness of this logic is challenged by a school of Congressmen, who deny the validity of its underlying assumption. The assumption is that if during the period of the War the Congress keeps itself aloof from it and yet remains organised, it will be able to resume thereafter the place which it enjoyed in pro-1939 India and carry on the struggle with greater chances of success.

THREE MAIN OBSTACLES.

THE CONGRESS IN THE BEST OF ITS DAYS HAD TO STRUGGLE AGAINST THREE MAIN OBSTACLES: FIRST, THE COMMUNAL JEALOUSY BETWEEN THE HINDUS AND THE MUSLIMS; SECOND, THE MINOR JEALOUSIES BETWEEN SEPARATE LINGUISTIC AREAS; THIRD BRITISH IMPERIALISM.

After narrating the first two obstacles," Sjt. Munshi proceeds:

The third obstacle has been British Imperialism. That obstruction is there; in the past it has weakened only by internal and external pressure, either of public opinion or of non-violent direct action. British need for American friendship has often been a source of help. During a great War public opinion can be made to order and direct action has to be only symbolical; a gesture, not a pressure. But British Imperialism is there now. It got a firmer grip when the Congress stepped out of office. During the War it is strengthened by war exigencies and will neither wither nor weaken. If Germany wins—which God forbid—it will leave its heritage to a fearful successor. If Britain wins he will be a bold man who will say that Imperialism will obligingly step out of the way to make room for National India. During a war Imperialism cannot be fought; it can be made to share power with a friend, in order to save itself.

IN ALL HUMILITY, I THEREFORE URGE THAT THAT ASSUMPTION BEHIND THE PRESENT CONGRESS POSITION REQUIRES RE-EXAMINATION. WHAT LINE OF ACTION SUCH RE-EXAMINATION WOULD YIELD IS ANOTHER MATTER.

A world war of this magnitude dwarfs all issues. It is creating and will create its own problems. This rushing maelstrom has been carrying away nations, peoples, old realities and cherished ideals to an unknown, undreamt of readjustment. It is unwise, unsafe to try to ignore it. I know that the British are unimaginative; that they know not how to respond to a gesture of goodwill. But at all times it is dangerous to withdraw from spheres of power and influence; it is most so when the world is being reshaped. Irrespective of the British attitude we must reconsider our attitude. We need not always think of another's reaction. There is something always to be said about an intrinsically realistic attitude.

And perhaps human nature may not be so bad No race, however powerful or arrogant, can get out of the unity which a joint struggle weaves round two co-workers.

NEW WORLD ORDER

A NEW INTERNATIONAL LIFE IS BEING BORN OUT OF THE OLD. IN THAT VERY ACT WILL SPRING INTO EXISTENCE NEW FORCES OF LIFE WHICH NONE CAN ESCAPE WITH HER MILLIONS, HER RESOURCES AND HER LATENT STRENGTH. IF INDIA UNDERTAKES THE PRESENT STRUGGLE IN A SPIRIT OF SPONTANEOUS DETERMINATION SHE WILL BE ABLE TO FORGE A LINK OF POWER AND STRENGTH BINDING HER TO THE NEW WORLD

WE MAY HAVE FAILED IN THE PAST. BUT NEW SITUATIONS INDICATE NEW EXPERIMENTS. AND IT MAY YET BE GIVEN TO INDIA TO CARVE OUT A BOLD INTERNATIONAL FUTURE.

BIG JAPANESE BATTLE-SHIP SUNK

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approximately 130 officers and 2,200 ratings have been saved from H. M. S. "Prince of Wales" and H. M. S. "Repulse".

GEOFFREY LAYTON ASSUMES COMMAND

SINGAPORE, Dec. 11.

It is officially announced that Vice-Admiral Sir Geoffrey Layton has assumed command of the Eastern Fleet temporarily.—Reuter.

Edinburgh To Replace "Prince Of Wales" And "Repulse"

EDINBURGH, Dec. 11.

Edinburgh will replace both H. M. S. "Prince of Wales" and H. M. S. "Repulse".

The Admiralty previously agreed to allocate the battleship "Howe", a sister ship of H. M. S. "Prince of Wales" to Edinburgh which has now expressed its intention of replacing H. M. S. "Repulse" also.

The money invested during Edinburgh's warships week tonight reached twelve and a quarter million sterling. The original aim was ten million.—Reuter.

They Fought To Last

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.

"I last saw Admiral Sir Tom Phillips and Captain Leach as they were sliding into the water from the bridge of H. M. S. "Prince of Wales', said Mr. Cecil Brown, the correspondent of the Columbia Broadcasting System who was rescued from H. M. S. "Prince of Wales". He said that the Japanese pressed home the attack with all the daring of the British at Taranto. I saw six Japanese bombers shot down and burst into flames 500 yards distant.

Mr. Cecil Brown went on: "I have seen British troops in action wherein they had displayed all the courage in the world, but the courage of the sailors of H. M. S. "Repulse" and H. M. S. "Prince of Wales" during the attacks was unparalleled They were in high spirits. When it was obvious that "Repulse" was sinking and numerous dead were lying beside the guns, Captain Tennant through microphones said: "All hands on deck. Prepare to abandon ship. God be with you".

The stern of H. M. S. "Repulse" rose in the air, then quickly slid below the surface. When I was fifty feet away a number of heads were bobbing near the stern and it is unlikely they escaped the draw. I saw H. M. S. "Prince of Wales" lie over its side, hover there ten minutes, then the stern slid under and the bow rose in the air and then disappeared".

FOR SALE

Extensive salt works at Karachi very lucrative investment. Interested capitalists to get details from R. H. Butani & Co., Dunolly Road, Karachi.

The Half-Column
By "Dim"

If I say that the Progressive Group's Red Cross Ball was disappointing, I don't want to be considered ungenerous. Nor do I want it construed as a reflection on those who worked for it. It is the response this show had from the public, when I bear in mind the humanitarian cause, that was so very disappointing. I can understand that political feeling may come in the way of many people's desire to help, but it is hardly an excuse to justify the lack of support this show held in aid of the Russian, Indian and the British Red Cross had. The people, who came to it were predominantly Parsee, with an odd face that was American or English or Hindu or Muslim. This was a great pity, because I know that when the time comes and you're laid out on a stretcher with shrapnel in your spine, the Red Cross won't look at your face or your colour or your nationality before giving you the help this universal cross of suffering has stood for. I understand also that the two girls who went round trying to collect advertisements and donations met with no response from Indian firms ,who said they would have nothing to do with the War or the Red Cross. Now I don't mind what you say about helping the War. That's your own individual affair but when you speak of having nothing to do with the Red Cross, I feel you are cold and brutal and uncharitable and it pains me to see this attitude adopted by my countrymen. However, as I said, one day when, like the Russians and the Chinese, our people also (though God forbid) feel the need of the Red Cross, I'd like to see these people say they'll have nothing to do with the Red Cross. And this is where I feel someone like Jawaharlal should come forward and say something. I do not think Jawaharlal's attitude to suffering humanity would be the same as that of a number of people these days.

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Of course, other things spoilt the show, too. There was the usual sofa on which with Lady Lumley sat little officials of the Progressive Group and there was the usual quick change arranged by the A. D. C. in waiting. First the President clocking 15 minutes and 32 2/5 seconds. Then the Vice-President clocking a flat 13 minutes. And next the Sheriff-elect, when supper was announced. And then came the sort of thing which made me squirm—the Police Band playing a medley beginning with "Rule Brittannia" on the day the "Prince of Wales" and the "Repulse" had been sunk. Let us have some sense of proportion, some regard for the feelings of sensitive people (including Englishmen) who must have felt depressed on a day like this. And, also, I think it wrong that the Police Band should get all these bookings to play, when a number of ex-Servicemen who also have a band are starving because they can't get a booking. Surely, Lady Lumley, you can use your influence with the Turf Club and the Bombay Gymkhana to give these men a break also, when to-day the Police Band plays at the course and goes on straight to play at the Gymkhana.

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But one item on the programme was really worth going to this Ball for. It was the number done by a troupe of Dakhni young men and women, who did a folk song, the like of which has not often been seen in this town. The only other thing of this kind I've seen and which is more virile in its execution is the Limdi Troupe in action. That of the Goans was equally brilliant if slightly on the sweet side. It combined for me all the grace, the simplicity and the melody that one can find in the folk songs and dances of any country and that it should have been brought to us in Bombay on the floor of the Taj was an achievement on the part of those responsible for it. The dancing of the sisters Trenedad (Antoinette and Esther) made me hold my breath for quite a while. I liked the unassuming way in which they went through their number—a couple of frail, fair girls with an essential feminity of the type only the Orient can produce, with sweet-smelling jasmin flowers in their hair and a lilt while they danced, and that movement of the shoulders and the half-suppressed smile. And the male chorus that stood rock-like behind and sang and it took you back to some field of corn with the reapers at dusk, bringing in the harvest in some part of the world yet untouched by the barbarity and the vandalism that is the heritage of our present civilisation.

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'Moon Over Miami' Stays At Regal

Fred MacMurray, Alexis Smith and Errol Flynn in "Dive Bomber" at Metro.

"Dive Bomber" At Metro

Errol Flynn And Fred MacMurray Starred

The Warner Brothers' new picture "Dive Bomber" will be shown from to-day (Friday) at Metro. The big Technicolour special tells the story of the American Navy's unsung heroes who fly more for science than for glory and who made possible the development of dive-bombing.

"Dive Bomber," not ony pioneers a brand new (to the screen) story field, it sets precedent in a lot of other ways.

Fred MacMurray, is borrowed from Paramount, is co-starred with Warners' own Errol Flynn, MacMurray is the one who does the flying, dies the hero's death.

Flynn is a medico, working with "Dr." Ralph Bellamy to solve the mysteries of what happens to men in the stratosphere; black out, high altitude sickness, aeroembolism, night blindness, etc., etc. He plays the role straight, on the serious side.

"Dive Bomber" has another definite bid as the picture is unique. Being filmed, as it was with complete navy co-operation and under strictest navy scrutiny to make certain that every single thing was right, it has had six high-ranking technical directors, three of them commanders, one a captain (Captain George D. Murray of the aircraft carrier "Enterprise"), and two flight lieutenants.

During the run of "Dive Bomber" all Matinee performances will start at 3-15 instead of 3-30 p.m. and only the newsreel will proceed the main picture at all shows.

"THE GHOST TRAIN" AT NEW EMPIRE

'Big Hearted' Askey's Funny Role

"The Ghost Train", Gainsborough's new film version of the famous comedy-thriller by Arnold Ridley comes on the screen of the New Empire Cinema from Friday, (to-day).

Stoked to the brim with the hilarious fun of "big-hearted" Arthur Askey, who has delighted millions on the air, stage and more recently on the screen, this picture Askey's third starrer will be greeted wherever it is shown by a roar of laughter which will drown the roar of the mysterious ghost train, itself, around which the plot of the film centres.

Askey, accompanied, of course, by Richard "Stinker" Murdoch, heads a cast which abounds in talent, well-needed to portray the variety of personalities, who appear in the film.

The story, of a party of rail travellers, who are stranded in a desolated old Cornish railway junction haunted by the legend of a wrecked train, which returns in a ghost form from time to time bringing death to all who gaze upon it, has many new twists and introduces an up-to-the-minute climax which will surprise and please you.

"MR. AND MRS. SMITH" AT CAPITOL

Carole Lombard and Robert Montgomery, teamed for the first time in RKO Radio's "Mr. and Mrs. Smith", which comes to the Capitol Cinema on Saturday will prove a delight to theatre-goers with their brilliant interpretations of Ann and David Smith, well-to-do young New York Matron and successful lawyer-husband.

The two stars are ideally cast in this merry offering, and Gene Raymond, top-featured, does a splendid job as the rival partner. Also featured are Philip Merivale and Lucile Watson as Raymond's strait-laced parents, and Jack Carson as a playboy. Esther Dale as Ann's mother, Charles Halton as Chamber of Commerce man and Betty Compson as a Broadway gold-digger have important supporting roles, and handle them brilliantly.

"MOON OVER MIAMI" HELD OVER

Bright Musical Starring Betty Grable

The 20th Century-Fox Technicolour musical, "Moon Over Miami", has been held over for another week.

Featuring Don Ameche, Betty Grable, and Robert Cummings in their most delightful and entertaining roles, "Moon Over Miami" is the gay, tune-filled tale of two girls, Betty Grable and Carole Landis, and their aunt, Charlotte Greenwood, who spend a fortune-hunting holiday in Miami, the glamour city of the South. In their search for a millionaire Betty, who's been delegated to do the catching, lands not one, but two, Don Ameche and Robert Cummings. The only trouble is that Betty falls for Don, an ex-millionaire who is also reaching for riches.

Not only is "Moon Over Miami" tune-filled, but each of the eight Leo Robin and Ralph Rainger melodies merit a hit rating. From the very first night, audiences have been whistling and humming "Kindergarden Conga", "Hurrah For To-day", "Miami" "I've Got You All To Myself", "Loveliness And Love", "You Started Something", "Is That Good", and "Solitary Seminole".

SUNDAY SHOW AT REGAL

There will be an extra show of "Moon Over Miami" on Sunday morning at 10-30 at the usual eveniny prices at Regal.

"The Birth of a Baby", which has been acclaimed by all critics as one of the most unusual and sensational pictures ever brought before public, had drawn such crowded houses at The Edward last week that it has been decided to extend its run by another week.

Carole Landis, Robert Cummings and Betty Grable in "The Moon Over Miami" at Regal.

War In The Pacific On Capitol Screen

First pictures ever released in a News Reel of Japan's Naval strength. Exclusive Movietone film shows comprehensive views of the Japanese Navy.

America clears decks for action. Historic speech by Roosevelt.

America sends her forces to Iceland and Greenland forming a bridge across the Atlantic.

"The Great Lie" At Palace

The love story of a magnincent cheat is the current attraction at The Palace this week. Bette Davis is co-starred with George Brent in this stirring drama. It is a modern love story, and in it Davis is said to surpass even her superb performance in "The Letter."

SUNDAY SHOW AT METRO

On Sunday morning at 10 a.m. Judy Garland in "The Wizard Of Oz" a Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture.

SUNDAY SHOW AT CAPITOL

On Sunday morning at 10-30 "Carefree" with Ginger Rogers and Fred Astaire will be screened at Capitol Cinema.

VICEROY'S EXECUTIVE MEETS

NEW DELHI, Dec. 11.

A meeting of the Viceroy's Executive Council was held to-day under the Presidency of the Vice-President, the Hon. Sir Reginald Maxwell.—A. P.

COUPLAND'S INDIAN CONSTITUTIONAL SURVEY

NEW DELHI, Dec. 11.

Prof. R. Coupland has arrived in India to study the development and operation of self-Governing institutions in this country during the last four or five years. His mission is sponsored by Nuffield College of Oxford University, of which Professor Coupland is a fellow.

Professor Coupland intends to publish a comprehensive report, and has already completed his survey of constitutional evolution in India up to the Act of 1935. It was possible to assemble the historial material for this in Oxford but for developments since 1935 Professor Coupland realized the need to visit India to examine the problem at first hand.

No authentic survey of self-Governing institutions, it is pointed out can be made without the help of those who have been primarily responsible for working them, and it is hoped that public men of all parties will be sufficiently interested in Professor Coupland's task to allow him to draw on their experience and position.

A WORD TO POLICE

Proceedings Against Student Worker Squashed

LAHORE, Dec. 11.

The proceedings under Sec. 18 of the Indian Press (Emergency Powers) Act against Miss Perin Bharucha, a prominent student worker, for issuing a poster in Simla regarding the grievances of the detenus in the Deoli Detention Camp some time ago, were quashed to-day by an order of the Chief Justice, who remarked that there was no question of sedition in the case, and that the police should use their powers with discreation in cases of this kind.—United Press.

DRIVER & FIREMAN KILLED

Sequel To Goods Train Engine Going Off Rails

LUCKNOW, Dec. 11.

The driver and the fireman were killed when the engine of a goods train went off the rails near Bangarmau station about thirty miles from Lucknow last week-end, according to information received here.—A. P.

Busy Day For Viceroy

PATNA, Nov. 11.

Their Excellencies the Viceroy and the Marchioness of Linlithgow accompanied by H. E. the Governor and Lady Steward visited the Veterinary College, the Patna Medical College Hospital, the Deaf and Dumb School, the Khuda Baksh Oriental Public Library, the Duchess of Teck Hospital, the Bihar Cottage of Industries and the "Quila House", to-day.—A. P.

Pre-Cadet Training Experiment

NEW DELHI, Dec. 11.

Forty-seven candidates out of 50, who were taken in hand at the Pre-Cadet Training School have been accepted as cadets and are now training at the Officers' Training School, Bangalore, where they are reported to be doing well.

In view of the results achieved by the Indian Air Force initial training school at Lahore in charge of Squadron Leader Hogg, where Air Force candidates are taken in hand and moulded to the requirements of the service, it was decided to try a special two months' course at the same school for candidates for the army, who were considered below the standard as laid down for Cadets.

The encouraging results of the first course have, therefore, prompted the authorities to consider the possibility of increasing the number of candidates for Pre-Cadet Training from fifty to 150 on each course in the future.—A. P.

MUNSHI TO PLEAD FOR RATLAM POLITICALS

It is stated that Mr. K. M. Munshi has been engaged in the appeal on behalf of the Ratlam Praja Mandal political leaders who have been sentenced to long terms of imprisonment on charges of political conspiracy. It is understood that the case will be postponed till the 28th of December.—A. P.

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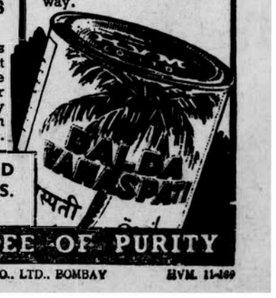

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THIRD DAY OF BOMBAY CHRISTMAS MEETING

Acceptances, For Saturday's Races

The following are the Acceptances for the Third Day of the Bombay Christmas Meeting, to be run at Mahaluxmi, on Saturday December 13:—

THE SATARA PLATE. Dist.—1 mile, 1 furlong.

Wafi Hamid 9-0, Sheriff 9-0, Shanghai 8-12, Sahran 8-9, Ushama 8-9, Shaikh Ghadhban 8-5, Salbi 8-5, Hatim Tay 8-5, Anid al Iraq 8-5, Baroda Fighter 8-5, Sikandar 8-5, Boonian 7-13, Prince Hachim 7-13, Sidi Barrani 7-9, Mikhlif Said 7-9, Prince Suri 7-9, Sultan 7-3.

THE KINGSCLERE PLATE (Div. II). Dist.—5 furlongs.

Mountain Daisy 9-0, Rose Apple 8-10, Diana 8-10, Firdouse 8-10, Moss 8-9, Dilawar 8-7, Chiang-Wiang II 8-9, Well Masked 8-9, Bebeska 8-7, June Rose 8-6, Pretty Pearl 8-6, Eastern Magic 8-6, Forget-Me-Not 8-6, Steel Blue 8-6, Quisling 8-4, Mehjabin 8-4, Mysore Flower 8-4, Come True 8-0, Ginger Cat 8-0.

THE RIDGE PLATE (Div. II). Dist.—1 1|4 miles.

Rabdan 9-2, Gaurishanker 8-9, Tamim al Khair 8-13, Nassar 8-10, Legion II 8-7, Bon Amis 8-4, Star Brilliant 8-4, Muwaffaq al Ilah 8-4, Fadilhat al Garb 8-2, Subhi Jazira 8-2, Saif Bahadur 8-0, Romantic Prince 8-0, Spitfire 7-13, Almaroof 7-13, Green Pigeon 7-9, Dalli al Iraq 7-7.

THE MEERUT PLATE. Dist.—6 furlongs.

Fable 9-7, Mahboob 9-0, Oliver 8-11, Solomon 8-7, Advance 7-7.

THE KINGSCLERE PLATE (Div. I). Dist.—5 furlongs.

Royal Sceptre 9-4, Carlyon 9-2, Princess Mumtaz 9-2, Countess Nil 8-13, Discard 8-11, Hue d'Or 8-9, Playwright 8-9, Swastika 8-7, Star Act 8-4, Khar 8-2, Liberty 8-2, Baltoi 8-0, Hira Mahal 7-11, Victor 7-11, Savoyard 7-11, Inside Information 7-11, Suzanne 7-9, Blue Belle 7-9, Highland Reel 7-9.

THE SANDOWN PLATE. Dist.—6 furlongs.

Lotharic 9-2, Gay Spaniard 9-0, Golden Mantle 8-12, Don't Shoot 9-0, Diamond Ring 8-3, Pompeian 8-2, Eyrefield 8-2, Neocell 8-[illegible] Cougar 8-0, Glenprosen 8-0.

THE STEWARD'S CUP.

Gipsy Song 9-7, Indication 9-4, Vijai Kumari 9-0, Kanchanmala 8-11, Brelan 8-9, Kotor 8-8, Spotlight 8-7, American Beauty 8-[illegible] Valentia Jinks 8-6, Cash Book 8-5 Anarbala 8-4, Smara 8-4, Kiri 8-2, Panna Prince 8-0, Shahen shah 8-2, Aftalon 8-0, Dark Wings 8-0, Osman Pasha 7-12, Gold Gainer 7-9, How's That 7-4, Master Mint 7-4.

THE MENTMORE HANDICAP. Dist.—1 1|4 miles.

Greetings 9-4, Talma 9-0, Glory of Kolhapur 8-9, Carabas 8-6, Avon Song 8-4, Sitara 8-4, Monocle 7-13, Archmoon 7-9.

THE RIDGE PLATE (Div. I). Dist.—1 1|4 miles.

Chief Ruler 9-4, Young Tiger 8-9, Akhu Amin 8-4, Ubayan Faisal 9-2, Hikmat Pasha 8-11, Yaqin 8-9, Anar Kali 8-9, Shayal Nayif 8-6, Qa'id al Arab 8-0, Gazal 8-0, Four Aces 8-0, Dahman Fadhil 7-7, Tiger King 7-7.

NOTEWORTHY PERFORMANCE BY MUWAFFAQ AL ILAH

Gay Spaniard And Fable Also Please On Track

From Our Racing Correspondent

The following track-work has been recorded for the third day of Bombay Xmas meeting:—

PLAY WRIGHT (Evans) was speedier than DIANA (Burn) in a run over five furlongs on the tan and clocked 1 min. 5 secs.

SOLMOON (Jones) easily held TRUSTY (Tait) when covering six furlongs on the tan in 1 min. 22 secs.

ASSAF MAHMUD (K. Singh) was too good for PRINCE SURI (Roberts) and did seven furlongs on the tan in 1 min. 45 secs.

SEA BATTLE (Roberts) disposed of HOW'S THAT (R. B.) when doing an easy ten furlongs on the tan in 2 min. 25 secs.

DAHMAN FADHIL (Raffaele) covered a mile on the inner grass in 1 min. 57 1|2 secs.

UBAYAN FAISAL (Sibbritt) was not extended when defeating GREEN PIGEON (R. B.) and covered a mile in 2 mins.

STAR BRILLIANT (Davison) held FARAJ ALLAH (Sibbritt) when doing a mile at good pace and recorded 2 mins. 6 secs.

GIPSY SONG (A. Thompson) and INDICATION (Davison) were about level after covering a mile on the inner grass in 1 min. 45 1|5 secs.

GREETINGS (Evans) was too good for CARABAS (Raffaele) at a good pace in a mile gallop on the tan and covered the distance in 1 min. 50 secs.

DON'T SHOOT (Southey) was better than ALAN-A-DALE BOND in a dash over four furlongs in 50 secs.

GLORY OF KOLHAPUR (Sibbritt) showed out from ENJOU (Southey) and FORTUNE HUNTER (R. B.) and covered a mile on the inner grass in 1 min. 46 secs.

MUWAFFAQ AL ILAH easily disposed off NASSAR (K. Singh) and PRINCE SURI (Roberts) and completed a mile on the inner grass in 1 min. 55 1|5 secs. The first-named is the likely winner of the Ridge Plate (Div. II).

SNAPPER (Maxwell) held AKHU AMIN (—) when doing a mile on the inner grass in 1 min. 56 secs.

TOLTEC (A. Thompson) was in front of AMERICAN BEAUTY (Burn) in a gallop over a mile on the tan and clocked 1 min. 52 secs.

TIGER KING (Roberts) showed out from PRINCE HILAL (R. B.) and covered six furlongs on the tan in 1 min. 26 1|2 secs.

ROYAL RIVAL (Burn) covered a mile on the tan in 1 min. 58 secs.

YAQIN (Brace) was in front of BON AMIS (R. B.) when doing pace work over a mile on the tan.

ADVANCE (B. McQuade) completed six furlongs on the inner grass in 1 min. 18 secs.

INSIDE INFORMATION (Sibbritt) FORGET-ME-NOT (Ramchandra) and EASTERN MAGIC (D. Singh) covered five furlongs on the tan in 1 min. 6 secs. The first-named shaped better.

GAY SPANIARD (Britt) held FABLE (Marrable) when doing six furlongs on the inner grass in 1 min. 16 1|2 secs.

MONOCLE (Raffaele) was in front of ENGAGED when covering seven furlongs on the tan in 1 min. 34 1|2 secs.

The Pentangular

Chances Of The Rival Teams

BY J. C. MAITRA.

The cricket festival of Bombay is at hand. Next Saturday will see its commencement at the Brabourne Stadium with the Muslims and the Rest in the arena. How far it will succeed in commanding public support I cannot say. On the one hand, the protagonists of communal sport have ranged themselves to make common cause against the Congress. They want the edict of Mahatma Gandhi to be thrown overboard and thereby make him the laughing-stock of the sporting world. The Hindu Gymkhana—or rather those who supported the withdrawal of the Hindus last year—have willingly or unwillingly played into their hands. Instead of permitting themselves a free view of the contests, they have decided to go half rates—incidentally making up their minds to support the communal basis of the Pentangular.

MORAL EFFECT OF PICKETING

On the other hand, non-communalists are going to give a wide berth to the communal show. It remains to be seen how far their influence works on the general public. The students have taken a lead in the matter this time. They have decided in a Conference not only to boycott the event but picket the Stadium on the match days. I have no doubt it will be quite peaceful—the men and women behind them are guarantee enough for that—and it will have a great moral effect on all.

MUSLIM SELECTORS' DIFFICULTIES

Owing to the ban imposed by some of the Ruling Princes on their players the Muslim selectors have found considerable difficulties in forming a respectable side. Important players like Mohamed Nissar, Amir Elahi, Shahabuddin, Mushtaq Ali, and Mubarak Ali are not available. In the absence of these players, the Muslim team will only be a skeleton of their formidable combination, their attack being completely ruined.

MEDIOCRE SIDE FOR REST

The Rest have chosen their team. G Richards, their veteran fast bowler, has been entrusted with the Captaincy in place of Harris who is absent. Is he in good form to be in the team, I wonder. If he is, then why have the Bombay selectors, who are worried over the absence of a fast bowler in the local team, left him in the cold so long? The question also arises, would he be a better skipper than V. S. Hazare, I am afraid the Rest Selectors have thrown a heavy responsibility on the shoulders of Richards. The team as a whole does not, or is not likely to locate any degree of enthusiasm among the public. It is like an ordinary Gymkhana side, capable of raising only ripples on a mild surface—hardly worthy of a great festival.

PALIA'S REVOLT

The Parsis have come out with their list of selected men. The chief surprise is the nomination of P. E. Palia as Captain. Evidently he has decided to raise the standard of revolt against his association. Only recently he led the U. P. team in the Ranji Trophy. Now he prefers to glory in the leadership of his community than that of a province. I understand similar efforts are being made by other communities to rope in some of the leading lights who have come under the ban.

PARSIS MISS THEIR BACKBONE

The most notable absentee among the Parsees is J. N. Bhaya from Indore. He was virtually the backbone of the Parsi batting. His absence is sure to be keenly felt by his co-religionists. Otherwise the team is as was generally expected to assemble. The selection of K. R. Meherhomji, in preference to M. P. Engineer, is not at all surprising, having regard to the fact that the former is a better batsman with equal merit in wicket-keeping. Though the team does not possess anything outstanding in calibre or reputation, it may be relied upon to give a good account of themselves in every department of the game.

A FLUID COMBINATION

The Europeans appear to have collected on paper a fairly representative side. With J. E. Tew in the vanguard and three of their old stalwarts namely, S. W. Behrend, R. F. Moss and W. H. Bradshaw, to support, the new-comers will have ample scope to exhibit their prowess. As most of them are in military service I am still doubtful whether they will be able to make the journey to Bombay, especially in view of the present war situation. Even if they do, I am not so sure about their form. It is a most question whether their duties permit them to practice and play very often. Any way, I shall not be at all surprised if they put up a stout fight against the Parsis in the second match of the Tournament.

HINDUS STILL UNCERTAIN

The Hindus are to play the winners of the first match in the second semi-final. If the Muslims succeed in mustering a fair representation of their talents in the country, they will not find it beyond their powers to overcome the Rest. The Hindu team is still a problem. Who will actually take the field it is difficult to say at this stage, in view of the fact that most of their star players are "out of bounds". On the whole the tournament will lose most of its glamour and attraction and therefore fail in its object.

MUSLIM TEAM

Since writing the above the Muslim selectors have published their team. As was expected, all the outstanding players named above as well as Wazir Ali, have been left out. S. M. Kadri, who had the good fortune of leading the Muslims to victory in 1938 in the absence of the Hindus, has been invited to skipper again. The men under him are by no means an imposing lot, although the team is said to possess a number of batsmen who are capable of collecting big figures. The bowling strength is, however, of a medium variety. Would it be able to dismiss Hazare for a reasonable score? It would not be at all surprising if Kadri finds it a rather tough job to overwhelm the Rest in the first instance.

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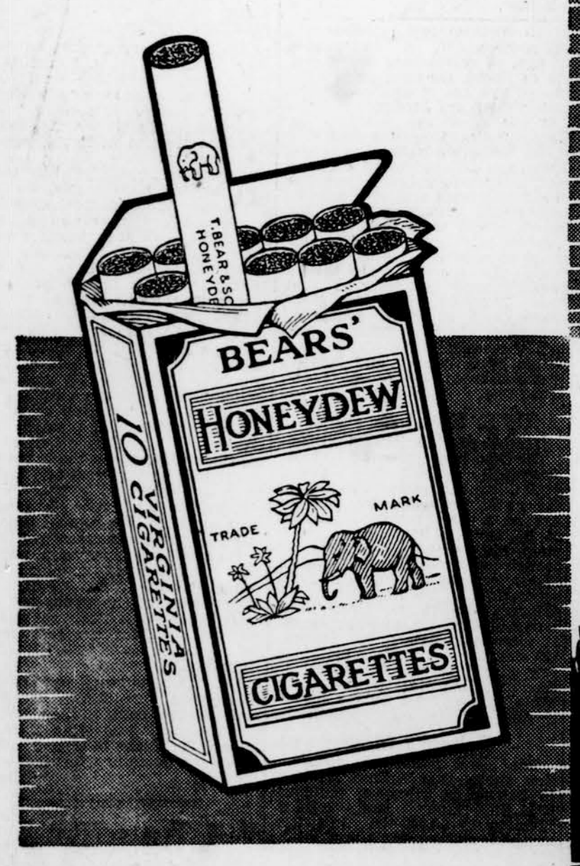

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EXTENSIVE SEARCH FOR FIFTH COLUMNISTS ALONG U. S. PACIFIC COAST

NEW YORK HARBOUR MINED

LONDON, December 11.

A communique of the U. S. War Dept. said that the initial Japanese attacks against the west coast of Luzon north of San Fernando were repulsed with apparent heavy enemy losses, but the Japanese effected landings along the northern coast of the island.

The Japanese attacks are of considerable strength and are supported by heavy naval forces.

The U. S. War Department in a second communique announces that military and naval installations on the Luzon Island have been subjected to intermittent Japanese air attacks throughout the day, with particularly heavy attacks on the naval base at Cavite.

After the first two attacks, nine more bombers, flying at a high altitude, bombed "Cavite" and merchantmen anchored in the harbour.

A final assault was made eight minutes later by eight more bombers. The police state that more than a hundred bombs were dropped at Manila and Arza.

Citizens watched the raids without any sign of panic.

MANILA CITY WAS BOMBED IN BRILLIANT SUNSHINE ON THURSDAY AFTERNOON, ACCORDING TO A REPORT RECEIVED AT NEW YORK.

Over hundred Japanese bombers took part in Wednesday morning's raid on the Nichol's airfield and the Cavite naval base.

No action is reported in the Hawaiian Islands since the initial attack on December 7.

Japanese ambition was defined by a Government spokesman in Tokio. He said that Japanese Navy was determined and prepared to secure for itself the Pacific and Indian Oceans.

He warned the people of Japan that they must be prepared to carry on the war against Britain and America for ten years.

Japanese in Thailand say that the Chinese in Thailand will not be treated as enemy so long as they do not oppose them.

The Japanese Board of Information says: "It is reported that an agreement of views concerning the conclusion of an offensive and defensive alliance between Japan and Thailand was reached between the Japanese Ambassador in Bangkok Mr. Tefi Tsubokami and the Thai Prime Minister Luang Pibul Songgram."

The American Navy Department announces that mines have been placed in the approaches to the New York harbour.

The Canadian Navy Minister announced that the Canadian corvette "Windflower" was sunk in collision while on convoy duty.

Twenty-three of the crew are presumed to have been lost.

A communique from Washington states that a search for the 'fifth columnist' is being made on the west coast of the Continent of the United States since the Washington State police last night found and extinguished near Port Angeles, Washington, a series of fires in the form of arrows pointed towards Seattle.

Steps to augment the defences of both the East and the West Coasts began on Sunday night when planes were put into effect, which have materially strengthened the forces already stationed along the coasts.

Railways aided greatly the movement of troops and material on special through trains. The air force has completed redistribution of air unit, which are placed in a position to meet any threat on their coast.

A fresh addition is announced to the army's first casualty and further additions are expected.

The American Senate Labour Committee has postponed action on the proposed anti-strike legislation pending the possibility that President Roosevelt may soon call a joint labour-industry conference on working conditions to devise a formula for a general labour speedup with longer hours and no strikes.

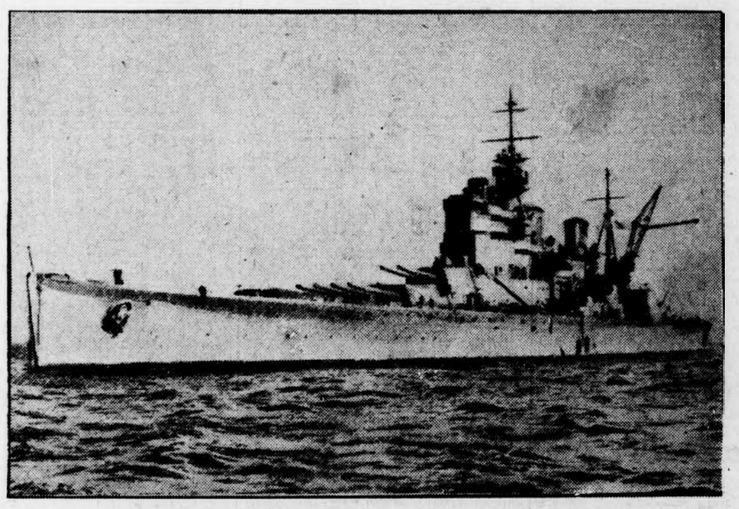
President Roosevelt has signed an executive order delegating to the Defence Communications Board authority for wartime control of radio facilities.

Mr. Cordell Hull indicated that Switzerland may represent the United States diplomatically in Tokyo for the duration of the war.

"Ayurved Kesari" Editor Jailed

LUCKNOW, Dec. 11.

For delivering a prejudicial speech on "Jawahar Day" Shrimati Shantidevi Vaidya, Editor of the "Ayurved Kesari" and daughter-in-law of Pandit Shiva Ram Vaidya, M.L.A., has been sentenced to three months simple imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 100 under the Defence of India Rules by the City Magistrate.—A. P.



H. M. S. "Prince of Wales"—Flagship of the Eastern Fleet—(35,000 tons) became the target of relays of Japanese aeroplanes and was sunk while she was engaged in operations off the north Malayan coast. This battleship participated in the engagement with the "Prinz Bismarck". Aboard her Mr. Churchill crossed the Atlantic for his historic meeting with President Roosevelt.

27 JAP. PLANES RAID MANILA

MANILA, Dec. 11.

Twenty-seven Japanese planes attacked military objectives in and around Manila. Bombs fell on camp Nicholas, McKinley naval establishment and other points. The planes returned after a few minutes for a second raid.

A number of fires were started. No bombs fell in the heart of the city. The planes kept a height of 15,000 feet. They were difficult to see because they were silver-coloured, and the sun was very bright.—Reuter.

No More U. S. Ships For Europe

American subjects in Portugal have been asked to report immediately at the American Consulate in Lisbon and to be prepared to leave for home by an American steamer which is scheduled to sail shortly.

The United States Consulate has insisted that this will be the last steamer leaving Europe and there will be no further sailings for the duration of the war.

LANDING IN N. LUZON CONFIRMED

MANILA, December 11.

It is reliably reported that the Japanese have made a new landing in Northern Luzon.

Unofficial reports here stated that the Cavite naval base had been attacked during Japanese bombing raids.

According to Manila newspapers, 30 persons were killed and 300 wounded in Wednesday's afternoon raids.—Reuter.

PARTIAL WITHDRAWAL OF AIR FORCE FROM RUSSIA

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 11.

According to the Berlin correspondent of Stockholm's 'Tidningen', a large part of the German air force is now being withdrawn from the Russian front and is already going into action in the Mediterranean area.

The correspondent adds increased activity against Britain is to be expected.—Reuter.

OVER 2000 SAVED

Men From "Prince Of Wales" & "Repulse"

LONDON, Dec. 11.

It is officially stated that over 2,000 were saved from "Prince of Wales" and "Repulse."

Captain Of "Repulse" Rescued

According to the "News Chronicle" the captain of the British battleship "Repulse" Captain William Tennant, has been rescued and has safely landed.

Captain Tennants' wife has been informed to this effect.—

The new Commander-in-Chief of the Eastern Fleet, Admiral Sir "Tom Thumb" Phillips, as he is affectionately known owing to his shortness, was aboard the "Prince of Wales" when she put to sea recently to engage the Japanese.

Just before the battleship sailed three war correspondents were invited to be with her. Their fate will not be known until a general list of survivors is issued.

It is understood that immediately the news of the sinking of the "Prince of Wales" and "Repulse" was known, patrols were sent out to search for the survivors.

Rear Admiral Kidd was Flag Secretary and aide on the staff of the Commander-in-Chief of the Pacific fleet under Admiral Husband Kimmel.

21 Republics To Have Joint Consultations

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.

With the grim warning that "a wave of aggression has now broken upon the shores of the new world", the State Department announced that it had invited the foreign ministers of 20 other American republics to consult joint measures for the defence of the western Hemisphere "at the earliest possible moment", at Chile's suggestion and in conformity with "the good neighbour" pledges already made to meet the threat of "treacherous attack" on the United States outposts in the Pacific.—Reuter.

NAVAL STRENGTHS IN PACIFIC

U. S. Fleet Surpasses Japanese: Britain's Might

LONDON, Dec. 8.

The Japanese navy, which has twice been tested in war—against the Chinese in 1894-95 and against Russia ten years later—is to-day in material inferior only to the British and United States Navies, observes the "Daily Telegraph."

Japan's strength includes 10 battle-ships, 8 aircraft-carriers (four of which are small), 35 cruisers, over 100 destroyers and about 80 submarines. Japan has under construction or nearing completion four or five battleships of over 40,000 tons, three or four armoured vessels of a type resembling the German "pocket battleships" and an uncertain number of destroyers, and submarines.

U.S. PACIFIC FLEET

In material strength the United States Pacific Fleet is actually superior to the entire Japanese Navy. It comprises, according to the latest reports 12 battleships, four large aircraft-carriers, 27 cruisers, over 100 destroyers and more than 30 submarines, with sundry auxiliaries. Moreover these figures take no account of the Asiatic Fleet based on Manila, which includes two cruisers, a sea-plane-carrier, a dozen destroyers, 8 submarines and a couple of sloops. On an average American ships are of greater size and power than the Japanese.

If the Japanese invade the Dutch Indies, they will find the Royal Netherlands Navy is ready. There are believed to be available on the spot four Dutch cruisers, seven destroyers and over a dozen submarines, with minelayers and vessels of the sloop type.

Japan is believed to have not more than 3,000 planes of all types. Her squadrons are divided between army and navy as follows:—Army 16, Aviation Regiments, each of four squadrons, one-third being fighter and fighter-reconnaissance and two-thirds being bomber and bomber-reconnaissance. Navy 40 to 50 squadrons.

Special Assembly Session Likely

NEW DELHI, Dec. 11.

WITH REFERENCE TO THE REPRESENTATION MADE BY SARDAR SANT SINGH AND SOME MEMBERS OF ASSEMBLY URGING CONSULTATION WITH THE INDIAN CENTRAL LEGISLATURE ON THE FAR EASTERN SITUATION, THE ASSOCIATED PRESS UNDERSTANDS THAT THE QUESTION OF SUMMONING A SPECIAL SESSION OF THE CENTRAL LEGISLATURE AT AN EARLY DATE IS RECEIVING THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA'S EARNEST CONSIDERATION.—A. P.

U. S. Naval Strength

"Manchester Guardian" writes:—The immense warship-building programme which the United States launched since the end of the naval limitation era has put her in a very powerful position to maintain a long war. Her main force already comprises 17 battleships, seven aircraft carriers, 37 cruisers, 171 destroyers and 111 submarines; behind these the shipyards are rapidly building up a second fleet of 15 battleships 11 aircraft carriers, 54 cruisers, 192 destroyers and 73 submarines. Any gaps that may be made in the fighting line in the early weeks of hostilities will be speedily filled by new construction.

Britain's Might

The latest published information shows that Britain still has 19 battleships afloat or building. H.M.S. "Lion" and H.M.S. "Temeraire" 40,000-ton monsters, mounting 16-inch guns, are to be completed in 1943, while two sister ships, the names of which have not been released, are due to be completed in the following year.

Role Of Engineer And Architect In Making Of Cities

MAYOR PLEADS FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF ENGINEERING COLLEGE IN BOMBAY

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The role of the engineer in the building up and maintenance of Bombay was stressed by Dr. J. A. Collaco, the Mayor, in declaring open the 27th annual session of the Bombay Engineering Congress at the Electric House this afternoon.

The Mayor drew pointed attention to the need of an Engineering College in Bombay.

Mr. R. G. Higham, the retiring President of the Congress in the course of his preliminary remarks said that the profession of engineering had for its purpose the relief of mankind from discomfort and distress. The engineer's goal was the improvement of the conditions of social and industrial life.

Mr. Higham paid a tribute to the skill of the Indian workman and said that with proper engineering training, the Indian workman could turn out work on par with, and in some cases superior to, his counterpart in other lands. The Indian workman had also infinite patience, a virtue that could be put to invaluable use with proper knowledge and guidance.

Dr. J. A. Collaco in declaring the conference open, dwelt on the advantages of professional conference which helped pulling down barriers of race, caste and creed and helped in the building up of an 'esprit de corps,' between men of the same profession. From the scientific point of view such meetings were invaluable as they acted as clearing houses of ideas and information of specialists in each branch.

ROLE OF ENGINEER AND ARCHITECT

Continuing Dr. Collaco said that engineering had played an important part in the making of Bombay and was still playing in its maintenance and development.

After stating that we would have been much happier if our cities had not been allowed to expand in a haphazard manner and that the engineer and the architect had their share of responsibility for this sad state of affairs, Dr. Collaco said that the architect too had a heavy responsibility in the building of houses which were either aesthetic monstrosities or insanitary death traps.

"I wish that every member of the profession should develop a social conscience which would refuse to countenance shoddy work, under pressure of a commercialism which builds for maximum profit irrespective of health considerations."

Proceeding Dr. Collaco said that the war had also brought for India a very special opportunity for technical advancement and he hoped that Indian technicians would show their mettle and help in the building up of Indian industries on secure foundations. In this connection he referred to the urgent need of an Engineering college in Bombay to meet the growing industrial, technical, mechanical and other needs of this progressive province. He also suggested that for the purpose of meeting the recurring costs of such an institution, a small surcharge of a quarter of an anna should be levied on the professional bills of engineers and architects.

After the conference had been duly opened, the annual general meeting of the Congress was held.

The meeting passed a resolution of condolence touching the death of Mr. K. S. Framji, an ex-president of the Congress.

Mr. R. L. Phansalkar was awarded the medal for the best paper of the year on "The Krishna Bridge at Karad."

Mr. G. D. Daphtary and Mr. W. B. Burford were elected president and vice-President of the Congress for the next year. Rao Bahadur N. S. Joshi was re-elected Joint Honorary Secretary for the ensuing year.

Work-Or-Fight Programme For America

Defence Production To Be Doubled Up; 168-Hour 7-Day Week Urged

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.

Stipulating a "Work Or Fight" programme for the American industry, Mr. Knudsen, the United States Defence Production Chief, declared on Wednesday that the production of four-engined heavy bombers would be boosted to a thousand per month—twice the present goal.

He told reporters that the 168-hour seven day working week urged by President Roosevelt must be made effective as rapidly as possible in five more industries—guns, planes, tanks, ammunition, and shipbuilding.

Reminded of the previous appeals by the War Department and that the President had failed to bring about the 168-hour week, Mr. Knudsen replied, "I think the Japs have done it for us".

The navy announces that Rear Admiral Issac Campbell Kidd was killed in action during the attack on the peal harbour on Sunday.

ROOSEVELT'S MESSAGE TO CHIANG.

The State Department has released the text of a message from President Roosevelt, which the American Ambassador has delivered to Marshal Chiang-Kai-Shek in Chungking. In the course of the message the President says, "We are confident that the struggle in which we are engaged in common with other gallant nations, will forge stronger bonds of traditional friendship between them and will result inevitably in complete elimination of the lawless forces, against which your efforts, our efforts and the efforts of our associates are now individually and collectively directed.

The struggle cannot be easily or quickly brought to a successful end. It will demand of all who enter it, as it has of you and your courageous people, concentrated effort and intensive devotion to the common cause and thereafter the establishment of just peace"—Reuter.

U. S. Freezes Thai Funds

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.

President Roosevelt has ordered funds of Thailand in the United sort which fight".—Reuter.

Charlie Chan Detective Story Day By Day:

CHARLIE CHAN — DISSENTION AMONG THE CRANKS — By ALFRED ANDRIOLA

SHE HITS DIMES AT FIFTY YARDS!
I'VE SEEN HER! SHE NEVER MISSES!
SHE'S BLUFFED THEM! THIS IS NO PLACE FOR ME NOW!
WELL, EVEN SO, I CAN'T LOSE! THE EVIDENCE WILL CONVICT ERIC! I'LL BEAT IT BACK TO THE CARNIVAL!
AMOS LANDERS — YOU'RE THE LEADER OF THIS MOB! TELL THEM TO GO HOME!
HAYCOXE, THE WAY TO STOP MURDER AND THEFT IS TO MAKE AN EXAMPLE OF THIS RAT!
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